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ABSTINENCE MESSAGE WORKS!

More than a dozen youth were on hand for the convention, among whom were students from Calvary Chapel School in Orrington (left to right): ShaelaColby, Auburn Colby, Chris McDonald, Mike Colby, Ashton Colby, and Nate Colby.

Dan Hogan of Nashua, NH, with convention speaker Meg Yates. Dan, a member of NHRTL, has long been involved with the abstinence issue in his state and was delighted with our convention theme, "The Power of Abstinence." He is a strong advocate of pro-life groups in the New England states working together.

Maine Right to Life Convention Hits Home Run

Dick Traynor

"You hit a home run!" exclaimed Ron Shaw of Lagrange, heaping praise on the MRLC annual convention October 19th at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel in Bangor.

Ron was referring to the abstinence message presented by **Scott Phelps** of *Project Reality*, an abstinence education organization based in Illinois. The abstinence movement, sweeping across the nation, teaches and encourages teens, preteens and others to remain sexually abstinent until marriage to avoid a host of disastrous consequences following pre-marital sexual activity.

Scott conducted his very enjoyable presentation by using an audience interaction style that kept the crowd heavily involved in the process. Many of those attending were teens who got involved in the free-flowing give-and-take of information. Following the format of the *Project Reality* workbook ***Game Plan***, Scott used audience participation to elicit responses to pertinent questions related to pre-marital sexual activity. Such sexual activity has consequences and he wanted teens and others to ponder those consequences before engaging in sexual practices.

Teen volunteers from the audience wrote on large easel pads of paper as Scott questioned the audience. "What are the possible negative physical, emotional, mental and social consequences of pre-marital sexual conduct?" he asked.

Project Reality speaker Scott Phelps (left), his lovely wife Carrie, and Mary Schiavoni, president of Character Counts in Maine.

The following spoken responses came from the audience and were recorded by the teens:

Physical: pregnancy (baby), sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), AIDS, death, infertility, cervical cancer
Emotional: feeling used, empty, low self-esteem, loneliness, broken heart, anger, bitterness

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EDITORIAL

In 30 long years of bitter frustration since a renegade United States Supreme Court, in the infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision, withdrew the protection of law from babies in the womb, and consigned more than 40,000,000 babies to painful death, truth has been held hostage. The true facts of conception and prenatal development, the humanity of the preborn baby, the violence of abortion, the reality of post abortion trauma, all have been publicly denied while the crime of abortion has been elevated to the status of a fundamental constitutional right.

For pro-lifers continuing the struggle to protect human life, *what offers real hope,* the prospect of imminent change?

The abstinence movement offers *real hope*. Why? Because abstinence acknowledges the truths of science and human nature; it directly involves the young; it calls upon youth to exercise sound judgment and restraint; it contributes to the building of character; it sees girls and boys as noble persons and not as sex objects; it reduces the incidences of pregnancy and therefore temptations to resort to abortion.

Abstinence frees the young to aspire to great things, to live exuberantly but morally straight.

A culture with abundant numbers of abstinent youth with high aspirations will not long tolerate the lies of the abortion culture. Pro-lifers should step forward and aggressively promote abstinence education. Succeed with abstinence education and the incidence of abortion will nose dive.

2002 Convention - ***RAFFLE WINNERS***

FIRST PRIZE: $600 LL Bean Gift Certificate
Jesse Senore of Portland, ME

SECOND PRIZE: Reservations for two, including dinner, at the beautiful Samoset Resort in Rockport
Tom Traynor of Maplewood, NJ

THIRD PRIZE: 25 Pounds of Fresh Maine Lobster
Marc Chasse of Fort Kent, ME

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!
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ABSTINENCE ADVOCATE IS NEW MISS AMERICA!

Popular Miss Illinois wins coveted crown, title

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ -- Miss Illinois Erika Harold, 22, an enthusiastic advocate of teen abstinence education, won the coveted Miss America title for 2003 on September 21 in Atlantic City. She captured the crown with her beauty, poise, interview skills, and singing talent.

Miss Illinois Erika Harold

Miss Harold has been a spokeswoman for Illinois' leading abstinence education organization, Project Reality, since 1999, addressing thousands of young people in Illinois public schools about empowering youth to make good life decisions. When she won the Miss Illinois pageant, the state required her to adopt its official platform of teen violence prevention, and she successfully wove the abstinence message into that issue.

"Erika sees the connection between helping teens to avoid all risky behaviors in order to prevent violence," stated Project Reality director of public relations Libby Gray. "Her work with abstinence education will greatly enhance programs and efforts to address teen violence during her reign as Miss America."

A graduate of the University of Illinois-Champaign, Miss Harold has been accepted at the country's five leading law schools and has decided to attend Harvard after her year-long reign as Miss America comes to a close.

"Erika's winning Miss America is one of those dream situations that you don't think can come true," said Kathleen Sullivan, director of Project Reality. "Fortunately for everyone, this dream did come true because Erika is a wonderful role model for young women."

After being chosen Miss East Central Illinois in 1999, Miss Harold earned the state's community service award for her work with her platform: "Teenage Sexual Abstinence: 'Respect Yourself, Protect Yourself.'" *(See* ***Education Reporter****, November 1999.)* In this year's contest, Erika held the preliminary title of Miss Land of Lincoln before being crowned Miss Illinois 2002.

As a Project Reality spokeswoman, Miss Harold addressed audiences as diverse as national and state legislators and the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center in Chicago. Last spring, she submitted written testimony on welfare reform reauthorization to the U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce supporting abstinence education programs nationwide.

Mrs. Sullivan pointed out that many of the Miss America contestants are exceptional young women who care about important issues. She cited first runner-up Miss Alabama, Scarlotte Deupree, whose platform emphasized the importance of teaching children to read. "Miss Deupree talked about the importance of mothers reading to their children as a benefit to the entire family," Mrs. Sullivan said.

At a reception immediately following the nationally televised pageant, the new Miss America urged her fellow contestants to "keep together" for the purpose of bringing "good" messages to young people, including sexual abstinence and avoidance of drugs, alcohol, and violence. "Such encouragement from glamorous young women who are themselves successful in practicing these virtues can make a big difference in young people's lives, as our Project Reality spokeswomen have shown," asserted Mrs. Sullivan.

Last January, Project Reality organized a "Power of Abstinence" celebration for several hundred Chicago-area students. Fifteen young women representing 13 states and the District of Columbia, who successfully competed in beauty pageants including Miss America, Miss Black USA and Miss All-American Latina, made short presentations at this celebration after advocating for abstinence as their pageant platforms.

In April, a group of pageant titleholders including Miss Black USA 2001 Lisa Marie Miree, Miss Wisconsin 1999 Mary Louise Kurey, and Miss Nevada 2001 Ashley Huff, traveled to Washington, DC to meet with Congressmen and their staffs about the need to continue funding for abstinence-until-marriage programs. "These programs are helping teens to understand the benefits of abstinence as well as helping them to avoid the negative consequences of STDs and pregnancy," Project Reality spokeswoman Kurey told the Congressmen. "Continuing funding for these programs will reduce costs in other areas and will benefit young people both physically and emotionally."

Funded in part by a grant from the Illinois Department of Human Services, Project Reality's programs -- including the popular "Game Plan" abstinence curriculum by A.C. Green -- served 71,000 students last year in Illinois alone. Abstinence education programs have been credited for contributing to the recent decline in teen births, currently at a 40-year low in Illinois.

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Mental: stress, worry, fear, regret, confusion, bad memories, pressure, distraction
Social: bad reputation, rumors, gossip, poor grades, loss of friends, withdrawn personality, parental conflicts

Scott then asked, "If you are sexually active, do you think all of these thing will happen to you?" The audience said, "No." "Could some of them happen to you?" he persisted. They answered, "Yes."

Scott Phelps enlisted four intrepid teen volunteers from the audience to help with an activity from the **Game Plan** workbook (left to right): Ashton Colby, Mike Colby, Nate Colby, and Chris McDonald.

Some of the consequences considered most negative by the audience were related to pregnancy and STDs:

Pregnancy: may not finish school; interference with marriage; increased and untimely responsibility; increased expenses
STDs: contagious; painful; difficulty conceiving children; embarrassing; interference with future relationships

Scott emphasized that if you are sexually active, there is no way to know in advance what will happen to you. *And you don't get to choose **which** consequences will happen to you.*

Fact: one in four sexually active teens get an STD.
Fact: one in five sexually active teen girls get pregnant.

Concerning the prevalent teen attitude of "It won't happen to *me*" Scott warned that, every day, 2500 teenage girls get pregnant in America, resulting in decision making by teens expecting a baby. All of their options have consequences, e.g., carrying the baby to term and putting the baby up for adoption, or keeping the baby after birth with all the added responsibilities entailed, or, for some, abortion with all its devastating consequences.

Practicing abstinence and avoiding the multitude of negative consequences of pre-marital sexual activity means playing by the rules of life and reaping the rewards. These rewards include feelings of self-confidence, high self-esteem, focus on schooling and grades, healthy relationships, sports activities, and a disease-free body in preparation for marriage.

Scott stressed that, in athletics, having a game plan can make the difference between winning and losing. The same is true of life. For a teen to have a "game plan" concerning social relationships is to build character traits which lay the foundation for a happy life with a spouse and family and a successful career.

During Scott's presentation he referred to Erika Harold, the current Miss America, who is a virgin and is an abstinence spokesperson for Project Reality. *[See article about Erika elsewhere in this issue. - Ed.]* News stories have described pressure by the Miss America pageant to have Erika drop allusions to abstinence during her yearlong appearances. She fought the committee on this issue, and won! "I will not be bullied," Erika stated.

MRLC Education Committee chairperson Janet LeBlanc shares a laugh with President Bob Estes. Bob's son Nick is in the foreground.

Drawing a standing ovation at its conclusion, Scott's presentation was ample evidence that he is a great communicator with a very exciting message.

Following Scott Phelps, **Meg Yates**, RN, MSc, continued the abstinence focus and described the experience she had when she was invited to a wellness day at Richmond High School. Meg described her talks to Richmond students by using the terms "holistic" and "mechanistic."

Conventional contraceptive "sex-ed" programs, she said, take the mechanistic approach, which does not give students strong, multi-faceted reasons to refrain from engaging in risky sexual behavior. Rather, students are taught all the "mechanics" of sex and how to prevent pregnancy and some STDs. Imparting knowledge and techniques to build character and to avoid sexual activity are not part of this "sex-ed" program.

Meg then described the holistic approach of abstinence education, which teaches students how to develop healthy character traits and habits. This is 100% in line with wholesome goals and teaches a 100% effective method for a healthy, abundant family life. Abstinence training focuses on building character, which is reflected in the ability to make healthy choices. The teens who are chaste, and over 50% are, stand a much better chance of being happy and satisfied because they don't have the stress of sexual relationships or worry about STDs and pregnancy.

A convincing and poised speaker, Meg was very effective in contrasting the positive results of abstinence with the negative consequences of teen premarital sex.

A highlight of the day was the video ***"Sex, Love & Relationships"*** featuring **Pam Stenzel**, a celebrated abstinence lecturer who riveted the audience with her powerful message. Pam, whose mother was raped but elected to give life, spoke movingly of her gratitude to her mother who chose life for her baby. Defending the right of a baby conceived in rape to be born, she told hundreds of teens in her video audience, "My life is every bit as valuable as yours."

Nothing but smiles to reflect a successful convention! Left to right: Speakers Meg Yates, Scott Phelps, and Mary Schiavoni; MRLC Executive Director Dick Traynor; MRLC Office Manager Michelle Truman.

Pam's hard-hitting message spoke of the dozens of STDs circulating among sexually active teens, many of them viral and therefore incurable. STDs can be transmitted by *any kind* of sexual activity, not just intercourse. Each day in America, there are *42,000 new cases* of STDs! The most common is human papillomavirus (HPV) which is incurable. Sterility and cervical cancer are catastrophic consequences of some STDs.

Girls have "open" reproductive systems and are thereby far more vulnerable than boys, who have "closed" reproductive systems. Girls can get pregnant. Girls bond more quickly and easily and suffer emotional consequences more readily. The risk for a girl contracting HIV from a boy is estimated to be **eight times greater** than for a boy to contract it from a girl.

Due to shortness of time, only half of Pam Stenzel's 55-minute program could be shown. This video, however, can be ordered through Maine Right to Life and is well worth having. It is suitable for schools and youth groups. The cost of the video is $20.00 (includes postage).

The very memorable day concluded with an informative message by **Mary Schiavoni**, president of *Character Counts in Maine,* a non-profit organization recently formed to teach abstinence in Maine. Look for Mary's wonderful and practical list of ***"What You Can Do"*** which is featured elsewhere in this issue.

The convention facilities at Sheraton Four Points were superb and the food was outstanding. The hot, sit-down lunch of "Grilled Chicken Marsala" was worthy of four stars.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

*to help **CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE**,*
a non-profit organization formed to teach abstinence in Maine

1. Register with ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. This way we can keep you informed of events, meetings and training coming to your area. Be sure you are a **REGISTERED VOTER**.

2. Encourage your children and their friends to register with ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** so we can ***keep them informed of up-coming events, statewide contests, educational activities***.

3. Let us know the schools you want us to contact to let them know about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. Send us the names of your children's schools. We can provide information about Character Development - Kindergarten through Grade 5 - and Middle School and High School curricula and activities. Programs are also appropriate for Home Schooled children as well.

4. Join our network of volunteers around the state. No required meetings. Time and involvement can vary. For example, when we travel throughout the state, we need contact people in that area for just that time.

5. Talk about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** with your child's teachers, school principal, and members of the school Board.

6. Contact ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** about working with you to make a presentation to your School Board or to talk with individual committee members. Send us the names and addresses of your school Board members to whom you wish us to send information about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***.

7. Look for our new web site < **www.charactercountsinmaine.com** > coming in 30-60 days. It will be available 24/7 with information for everyone, i.e. students, parents, teachers. We will list current medically accurate information, schedule for meetings around the state, on-going contests, potential legislation, etc.

8. Write letters to your legislators, telling them about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. Let them know that **YOU KNOW** there are appropriate ways to teach our children about their character and sexuality, and that you do not agree with the current programs flooding our schools and teaching inappropriate activities for sexual behavior.

9. Volunteer to be on the Legislative Alert Committee. Be part of this team. Send us the **names of newspapers** in your community.

10. Use your special talents for ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. We need a team for our fundraising efforts. Learn how to work with others in writing grants. No experience necessary.

11. Invite ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** to come to your area. We are setting up our calendar for 2003.

12. **BECOME TRAINED IN ABSTINENCE EDUCATION**. Training to be scheduled throughout 2003.

13. Please support us financially as is possible for you. **VISION: 1000 people to give $10.00 each**. Donations are tax deductible.

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Hold Fast the Sanctity of Life

The miracle of life, as such,
Comes forth, as but a seed.
This awesome, holy mystery
Hails from procreation's deed.
For, as His Word commanded:
"Go forth, and multiply.
Create man in God's image,"
As reflected in you and I.

"All life is sacred," verily,
The Lord makes known to all.
The "choice" is ours, accordingly,
To reject, or accept, His call.
In embracing life, through birthing man,
We release His plan for all.
But, if we dare to shut Him out,
Humanity, as its price, shall fall.

In the womb of life, sanctity unveiled,
Through the love of God, all-knowing,
And, amidst despair, because man failed,
There is hope for deadly choosing.
In the wake of lies and pride-filled ways,
Births deceit, which is confusing.
Yet, the Answer-Raised above the haze,
In Choice for Life, there is no losing.

All life is perfect in God's eyes,
Despite man's faults and imperfections.
There are never failures or mistakes,
Only man-made limitations.
For God causes everything to work out right,
No matter how we all may feel.
Through His precious grace and Love-Shed Light,
To us, His perfect Truths reveal.

In our journeys' search for meaning,
With the choices that we make,
It all boils down to what we choose,
Both in what we give and take.
For, in choosing life, the "choice" is clear:
Life rains down God's joy and peace.
But, in choosing death, ignoring fear:
Does an unborn's heartbeat cease.

For the weary souls, who opt for death,
Will God's judgment fall upon,
Bringing pain and strife and dark despair
For the "choice" that stole life's dawn.
But, even, death was conquered by the One -
Emmanuel, conceived - God's Begotten Son,
Conceived, to die - a Living Sacrifice:
To show the world God's Way.
If we'd, but, choose the right to live,
And, like Jesus, follow and obey.

All life is sacred and sanctified
Through unfailing love and mercy,
Bearing the sin of all, as Jesus died,
Freeing ill-conceived choice by humanity.
Conceptions birth was crucified,
And, in His tender love, so healing,
Christ gave Hope for all, choosing to believe,
In His Word that's all-prevailing.

The "choice" for life is choice for love,
And love bears every wrong
Of the family of the Living God,
For, to Him we all belong.
Birthed by mercy and forgiveness,
Erased of sin through consecration,
Called to repent for man-made wickedness,
And share in Christ's Banquet and Communion.

So, hold fast the sanctity of life
In redemption through God's Son,
For we birth His Living Image,
And, in Christ, we are made one.
If we, but, make the "Choice" to live,
And, as promised in His Word,
We will live for all eternity
In green pastures with our Shepherd.

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THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU

During the past several months, our expensive-to-repair-and-rapidly-declining photocopier required the feeding of one sheet at a time in order to prevent constant paper jams. *BUT NO MORE!* A wonderful supporter (who wishes to remain anonymous) recently appeared at the MRLC office with a new copier!! We are **very** grateful for this generous -- and most welcome! -- contribution for our pro-life work. Multiple copies are now a breeze!

GAME PLAN

A Method for Teaching Abstinence

Bill Galey

It may not be entirely surprising that there are groups in this country endeavoring to persuade teenagers to abstain from sex until marriage. What *may* come as a surprise is that, forty years into the sexual revolution, many teens are responding positively to the idea - when it is well presented.

An example of a well-presented program for teaching abstinence to teens is *Game Plan,* which was described by Scott Phelps of Chicago to the audience of Maine Right to Life's annual convention on October 19th in Bangor. Scott co-authored the text of *Game Plan* and is an executive of Project Reality, which brings *Game Plan* to 40,000 Illinois students every year. The booklets are paid for in that state by a grant from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services abstinence funds!

Game Plan was conceived by A.C. Green, the Los Angeles Lakers basketball star who has played in a league record of 1,150 consecutive games. In high school, Green had made up his own mind to save sex for marriage. He attributes much of his success as basketball's all-time "Ironman" to this decision.

Why is Game Plan effective?

It gets someone to think...

ask questions...

find answers!

Choose ABSTINENCE!

Game Plan is presented in a series of eight sessions. There is an attractive 80-page booklet for each student and an accompanying teacher's text called "Coach's Clipboard." The program's method is to ask questions of the student and to let the student answer for him/herself. The questions deal with the student's life goals and with the bad choices, especially in the area of sexual relations, that can derail his/her pursuit of them.

Included in the booklet is a carefully worded definition of the word "abstinence" and chapters on the media, on rules, and on the consequences (physical, emotional, mental, and social) of being sexually active. There are stories about teens and analytical questions about the stories. There is a chapter on sexually transmitted diseases (one in four Americans infected; STDs on the increase among teens; no cure for many STDs; girls affected most). There are chapters on starting over, on choosing friends, on the characteristics one must develop to reach one's goals, and a wonderful chapter on marriage.

At the convention, Scott illustrated the *Game Plan* method by interacting with the audience, which included many teenagers. There is probably no more effective way to get someone to think about an important subject than to ask questions about it and let the person answer for him/herself. The effectiveness of *Game Plan* derives from its use of this method and from the thoroughness of its exploration of the subject.

Scott Phelps speaks to thousands of teens each year on the subject of abstinence. He said that the abstinence movement has grown to such an extent that Planned Parenthood is alarmed and running full-page ads against it in *The New York Times.*

WEB wisdom

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Contact us through our web site, or send a message to life4me@gwi.net, and get on our email list. Keep current with *Maine Right to Life* issues and events!

www.nrlc.org
National Right to Life Committee. Information, resources, national legislative issues and alerts.

www.stoppinternational.org
Stop Planned Parenthood International. Arm yourself with information from this web site, which reports the notorious goings-on of Planned Parenthood nationally and abroad.

www.abortionfacts.com
Brings together quality information on the abortion debate from many different sources and makes it available to the world in one abortion megasite.

www.abortionsurvivors.org/home.html
A Christian, pro-life activism organization designed to both educate and activate high school and college age students as their legacy as survivors of the greatest holocaust in world history.

www.afterabortion.org
The Elliot Institute, with the most complete source of information (over 300 links!) on the after effects of abortion and post-abortion healing.

www.polycarp.org
Mission of *The Polycarp Research Institute* is to promote and perform research that seeks to improve the physical, psychological and spiritual condition of mankind. Site includes information on breast cancer and abortion, breast cancer and oral contraceptives, and postfertilization effects of emergency contraception and oral contraceptives.

www.prolifeaction.org
Joe Scheidler's *Pro-Life Action League*. Dedicated to saving the lives of the unborn through the use of non-violent direct action and speaking for those who do not have a voice.

www.projectreality.org
Project Reality. Provides abstinence classroom education programs, assemblies for students, programs for parents, and training for teachers across the country. New abstinence program features *A.C. Green's GAME PLAN*.

www.enlightencom.com
Enlighten Communications, Inc. Pam Stenzel inspires young people to embrace the benefits of character and abstinence before marriage.

www.abstinence.net
Abstinence Clearinghouse. Provides educational materials to parents, schools, churches, CPCs, and helps all of the above to network!

www.respectincorporated.com
Respect Incorporated. Featuring Dr. Coleen Kelly Mast's curriculum entitled "Sex Respect: The Option of True Sexual Freedom."

www.mikelong.com
Featuring Mike Long's "Everyone Is NOT Doing It!" abstinence-until-marriage video series.

www.medinstitute.org/media/index.htm
The Medical Institute. Good resource for sexuality related issues!

www.truelovewaits.com
A division of LifeWay Christian Resources, the international campaign *True Love Waits* is about following God's plan for purity. Works through churches, student organizations, healthcare groups, and campuses, challenging teens and college students to remain sexually abstinent until marriage.

www.teen-aid.org
Teen-Aid, Inc. builds character and families. Info and links for teens and adults; statistics for reports; suggestions; resources.

www.lovematters.com
Love Matters. Discover how saving sex for marriage will help you find happiness and avoid heartaches and diseases that nobody needs.

REGIONAL NEWS

From Kennebec County Chapter:

Kennebec County Chapter (KCC) continues to sponsor the **BABY PAGE** in *MRLC News* and invites readers to participate! Send a good, *clear* photo of your child (grandchild, niece, nephew) **born since January 1, 2002.** Donation for photo entries: $2.50 each (one photo per child). Please indicate whether or not you would like the photo returned.

As for other projects, the KCC is again selling pro-life **calendars,** which are beautiful and in full color. The cost is $6.00 each. Also available is a handsome cookbook FULL of **apple recipes**! Our own Barbara Pelletier has compiled an amazing 125 apple recipes and reproduced them in convenient binder form. Cookbooks sell for $10.00 each, if you pick it up at the office ($15.00 if you have it mailed to you). Proceeds help to sponsor crisis pregnancy and abstinence radio ads that run periodically on a local station. Both calendars and cookbooks make **great gifts** and are currently available at the Maine Right to Life office, 8 Green Street, Augusta. Support the cause! Get your copies today by calling **622-3837**.

Correction: *on the Regional News page of the Aug/Sept 2002 issue of* ***MRLC News,*** *it was* ***Molly*** *Sirois (not Lindsey) who was pictured with Pauly Haskell and Mindy Compagna in the KCC yard sale photos. We apologize for the error. - Ed.*

From York County Chapter:

The two banquets held on November 2, 2002 featuring guest speaker **GIANNA JESSEN** were wonderfully positive events for youth and adults alike. One could not come away without being touched in some way by Gianna's amazing story, which she told simply but powerfully. Aborted in the third trimester after remaining in a toxic saline solution in her mother's womb for 18 hours, Gianna miraculously survived. Now after 25 years, she continues to be living testimony to the sovereign power of God, joyfully giving her witness in voice and in song.

Other highlights of the youth banquet: The teen band **Paid in Full,** of the First Baptist Church in Portland, played contemporary and also softer praise music. Motivated by their faith, Paid in Full had great sound and was well received. The band donated all the money received from selling T-shirts at the banquet to the York County Chapter (YCC). Nathanael Yellis spoke about **TeenPact,** whose goal is "to train today's youth to passionately and effectively impact government and culture for Christ." He stressed the importance of *just one* person. The individual **does** count and can be very effective. As a concrete example of this, he stated that each time someone personally approaches a legislator, it counts the same as **100** phone calls or ***1000*** emails! This information came from a legislator. Nathanael also made the point that appropriate dress commands respect. TeenPact is "an outstanding opportunity to get a close-up look at state government from a Biblical perspective." Visit the TeenPact website for more information: www.teenpact.com or call 888-343-1776.

Speakers and musicians at the Nov. 2nd banquet sponsored by York County Chapter - front row, left to right: Father Griffith, Dick Traynor, Mary Schiavoni, Roxann Spicer of Veritas, Gianna Jessen, Judy Cushing, Pastor Bob Egan; back row, left to right: Veritas band members John Spicer, Kevin Towle, Frank Maliski, and Rick Odess.

Other highlights of the adult banquet: The 5-member band **Veritas**, hailing from various churches in New Hampshire and Maine, shared their beautiful and distinctive sound throughout the meal, closing with praise songs at the end of the evening. An excerpt from Veritas' bio states that "this group is drawn together by the bond that can only be found in Jesus Christ." Veritas donated $3.00 of each CD they sold at the banquet to YCC. Banquet attendees were also inspired by Dick Traynor, executive director of Maine Right to Life; Mary Schiavoni, president of abstinence-based Character Counts in Maine (Mary also spoke at the youth banquet); Judy Cushing, executive director of ABBA Pregnancy Center, Portland; Pat Rohm, executive director of ALPHA Pregnancy Center, Sanford; and Doug Pelletier, vice-president of YCC.

"One man with courage is a majority." - *Thomas Jefferson*

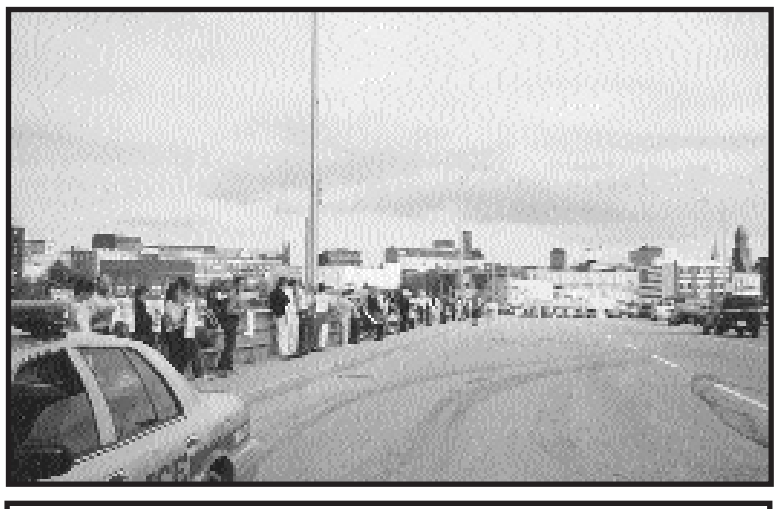
Life Chains Around the State of Maine

On Sunday, October 6, 2002 Life Chains were held across the United States and Canada. A Life Chain is an ecumenical gathering to pray for an end to abortion and a public witness against the killing of children in the womb. Participants offered an hour of quiet, heartfelt prayer while standing on both sides of a street and holding signs which read "Abortion kills children", "Abortion hurts women", "Adoption a loving option", and "Jesus forgives and heals".

In Maine, Life Chain events were coordinated statewide by Michelle Morneault and Ron Charpentier in **Lewiston/Auburn, Van Buren, Madawaska, Fort Kent, Portland, Columbia, Ellsworth, Lincoln,** and **Bucksport.** Local contacts for some of these areas shared their reflections with us:

The **Lewiston-Auburn** Life Chain had about 125 people in attendance. It was a beautiful, sunny, warm day as we prayed for an hour to end abortion and for respect for all human life. We were one of nine Life Chains in Maine and one of over 850 in the U.S. and Canada, all praying that same afternoon. We believe that all these prayers will help turn the tide towards a culture of life. *(Michelle Morneault)*

We had a very successful Life Chain - about 80-90 people - in fact, it was an "international event," where people lined the bridge between **Madawaska** in Maine and Edmundston in Canada. The youth groups from the parishes of St. David and St. Thomas also participated. *(Don Blanchette)*



The Lewiston-Auburn Life Chain spanned the bridge between the twin cities.

It was beautiful; very positive. There were about 20 people at our station (one of 3 in the **Ellsworth** area). At the end of the hour, one of the attendees commented, "Is it time to go already? I'd like to stay longer!" We also received a card from a family unable to attend, but who wanted to show support for the work of life. *(Kathy Birdsall)*

It was a good day to be out. Weatherwise, it was beautiful! Both children and adults (about 14) participated in the **Bucksport** Life Chain and the response to it was very favorable. One lady

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PRO-LIFE MICHAUD WINS!

Maine Right to Life PAC congratulates Democrat Congressman-elect Mike Michaud on his outstanding victory in the 2nd Congressional District race.

Michaud, running with a 22-year solid pro-life voting record, was hammered by his opponent Kevin Raye for being pro-life. Michaud won a clear victory, however, bucking a heavy Republican trend in races for national office.

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE PLEASED WITH ELECTION OUTCOME

The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) is delighted over the outcome of the mid-term elections and is pleased with the prospect of working with the many new pro-life members in the U.S. House of Representatives and in the Senate. NRLC is especially pleased to welcome a number of new pro-life women to Congress including Elizabeth Dole (R-NC), Katherine Harris (R-FL), Candice Miller (R-MI), Marilyn Musgrave (R-CO), and Marsha Blackburn (R-TN).

Carol Tobias, Director NRLC Political Action Committee, stated, "This has been a tremendous grassroots victory for our pro-life volunteers, who worked tirelessly to triumph over pro-abortion organizations that poured a lot of money into these elections."

Pro-lifers held onto or won a number of Senate seats including eight of the ten most watched races. The seats in those states - Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, South Carolina, and Colorado - will all be held by dedicated pro-lifers.

In contrast, EMILY's List, the pro-abortion political action committee, did very poorly, losing 17 of their top 22 races.

The abortion issue played a key role in a number of races including the Missouri Senate race. Responding to a Fox News Election Day poll, 17% of voters in Missouri ranked abortion as the single most important issue in deciding their vote. Of those who ranked abortion as the most important issue, 80% voted for pro-life Senate candidate Jim Talen (R-MO).

Pro-lifers won another stunning Senate victory in Minnesota with pro-life Norm Coleman (R) defeating pro-abortion former Vice President Walter Mondale (D) for the seat left open by the death of Senator Paul Wellstone (D).

*In Maine, pro-life State Senator **Mike Michaud** (D) **defeated** pro-abortion candidate **Kevin Raye** (R) **52% to 48%** in the 2nd Congressional race.*

"Two-thirds of the newly elected House members are pro-life. Once again, the pro-life issue has proved to be a winning issue for candidates," Tobias said.

For more information, contact Suzanne Stanmeyer 202-626-8825 NRLC's website: www.nrlc.org

We are grateful, O God, for our nation which, at its foundation, recognized Your sovereignty by basing its law on morality and true justice. We give thanks and we pray that the November election may bear fruit in public policy, which protects the dignity and sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. Give wisdom, understanding and courage to elected officials who serve with power given by You. Amen.

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remarked that this year's Life Chain seemed to touch her more deeply at the spiritual level. Would like to see more involvement by area churches; any ideas or suggestions? *(Judy Martel)*

According to customary practice, **Fort Kent** Right to Life held a Life Chain on the first Sunday of October in a spirit of solidarity with hundreds of similar gatherings throughout the nation. Some 20-25 participants held signs along Main Street and stood silently in prayer while hundreds of passing motorists observed. After last year's brutally cold, damp, and windy weather, most participants arrived well prepared to do battle against Mother Nature, if necessary. The weather, however, turned out to be very pleasant during the hour of silence, the peace broken only by an occasional toot or faint but audible cheer of approval. One participant later commented he had felt as if he had been in the presence of angels. Others indicated they had experienced a deep sense of abiding peace.

Those who participate in Life Chain believe strongly in the power of prayer and public witness!

Following the Life Chain, participants and other community members gathered silently for a prayer service at the foot of a monument - dedicated to aborted children - located on the edge of a small cemetery. One faithful attendee, unable to get out of her car due to very severe physical limitations, parked her car right alongside the gathering and joined in with her window rolled down. During the prayer service, Father Claude Gendreau, pastor of the local St. Louis Parish, gave a short homily on our Christian duty to do all we can to end the scourge of abortion in our society. He urged us to promote a culture of life to counter the evils of abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and the growing threat of human embryonic cloning.

At the conclusion of the service, prayers were requested on behalf of a former resident and father of the Reverend Duane Stiles, Assembly of God pastor. Absent due to his father's serious illness, Reverend Stiles was commended by Father Gendreau for his past participation as officiator and overall dedication to the pro-life cause. It goes without saying that both Father Gendreau and Reverend Stiles deserve our applause. *(Joel Martin)*

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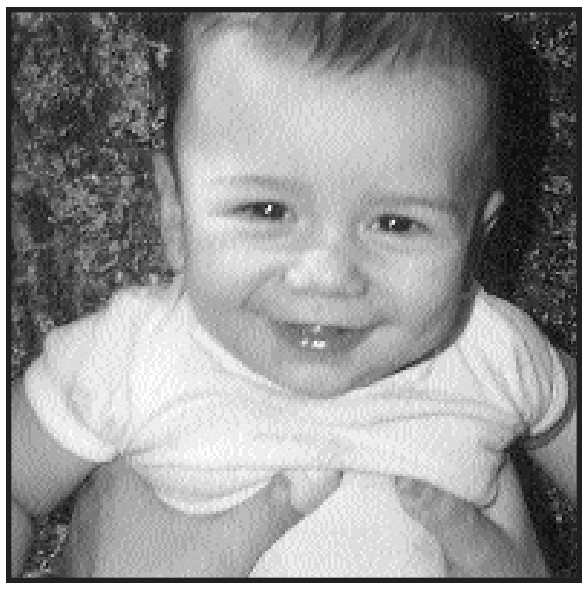

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CHART A NEW COURSE

Colleen Parro of the Republican National Coalition for Life shared the following item via email on 10/20/02: "Please circulate this widely. It is the truth. SIECUS/Planned Parenthood-style sex education and ready access to contraceptive drugs and devices has resulted in an epidemic of sexually transmitted disease, not to mention out-of-wedlock pregnancies among American young people. Some of these diseases are incurable. Will your son or daughter marry someone who is infected? This must stop! Sexual abstinence until marriage is the only way to protect the health and well-being of our children."

Titanic Teens

From Oct. 18, 2002 Washington Times

"Public health officials and doctors have been fighting teen pregnancy for decades now.

"I myself worked for nearly a decade prescribing birth control to teens. I believed that oral contraception was the most powerful weapon I had to help teens avoid life-altering dilemmas. But I realize now that what we've been doing has been akin to rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic. We now face a gargantuan consequence of that sexual freedom: At the same time teen pregnancies declined, the STD [sexually transmitted diseases] epidemic shot through the roof. The sexual freedom that birth control allows teens has done a good deal to promote the rise in disease.

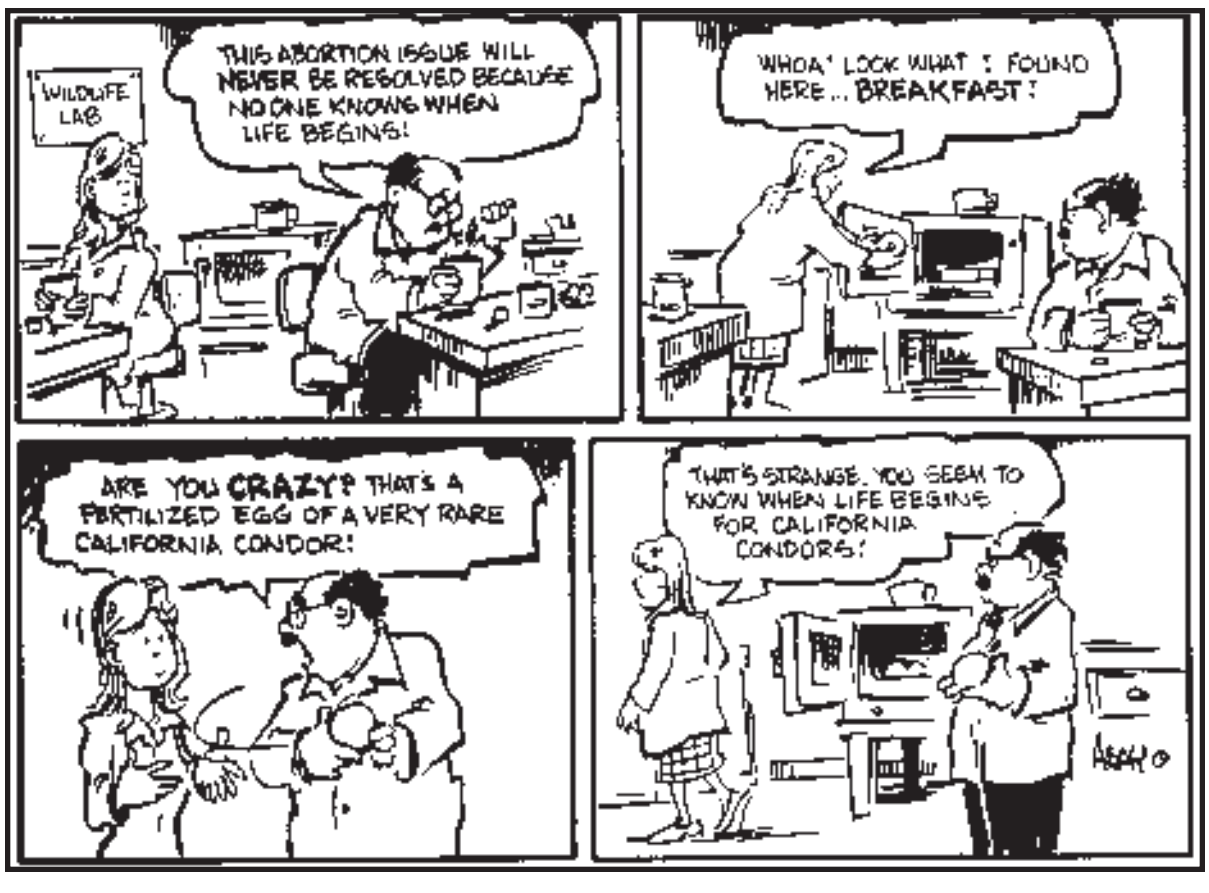
"Condoms are no answer either. Condoms do little to prevent many viral infections spread by skin-to-skin contact,especially HPV and herpes." (Dr. Meg Meeker, from her new book, *Epidemic: How Teen Sex Is Killing Our Kids*).

"Fetal Hand Grasp" Photo Causes Photographer's Pro-Life Conversion

Do you remember the famous picture of baby Samuel's hand reaching out from the uterus of his mother at 21-weeks gestation during fetal surgery? The photograph by veteran photo-journalist Michael Clancy appeared in *USA Today* during the summer of 2000. We used the photo, for which we were required to pay a substantial fee, in the *RNC/Life Report* that was distributed to the Delegates attending the 2000 Republican National Convention. Now, Mr. Clancy, who has become a pro-life activist, has offered his photo free of charge to pro-life groups because little Samuel's hand not only reached out to grasp the finger of his surgeon -- it grasped Michael Clancy's heart.

In his Mission Statement, Michael Clancy says he wants to "print the picture of Samuel on posters for donations to Crisis Pregnancy Centers, and billboards are next on the agenda." "If you think you could help in putting the picture of Samuel on billboards, preferably next to high schools and abortion clinics, please e-mail me your suggestions," writes Clancy. To read about Michael Clancy and little Samuel, you may visit his web site at: http://www.michaelclancy.com.

From Republican National Coalition for Life ***FaxNotes****, Nov. 1, 2002. Contact Colleen Parro: rnclife@swbell.net.*



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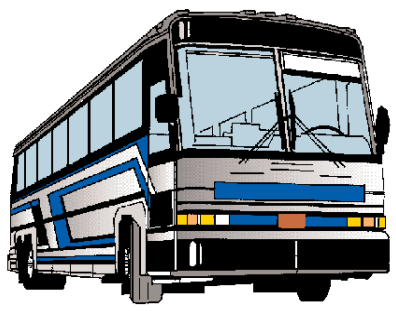

Join other pro-life people from Maine and many other states at the 2003 Rally for Life in Washington, DC! This year we are commemorating the 30th anniversary of the infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision. Come and help us stand for LIFE by participating in the MARCH FOR LIFE.

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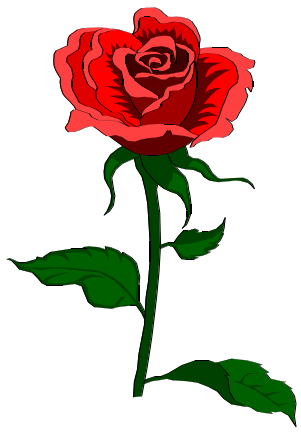

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YouTHink

Prizes Awarded to Essay Contest Winners

Two of the winning essay writers, Kara Hartman (left) and Ashlee Page (right) with Michelle Truman. (Photo of winner Gregory Patterson not available.)

In preparation for this year's annual Convention, Maine Right to Life invited high school students across the State of Maine to participate in an essay contest. Students were asked to write 300-500 words about why they believed sexual abstinence until marriage was the wisest health choice for youth.

Prizes were awarded at the Convention on October 19th to the following: 1st Place ($100) - **Gregory Patterson** of Brewer; 2nd Place ($50) - **Ashlee Page** of Hermon; 3rd Place ($25) - **Kara Hartman** of Pittsfield. We are pleased to print their winning essays in this issue of *MRLC News* [see below].

We also wish to recognize two other students who submitted contest entries and who deserve honorable mention: **Christopher Bean** of Bangor and **Christine Zikowitz** of Readfield. Their essays will be printed in our next issue.

Our sincere thanks to all who took the time to share their thoughts with us!

Is It Extreme?

by Gregory Patterson

Sex for teenagers is about pleasure and fun. No! It is about disease and death. Yet the message by some in America is still safe-sex, although this message is destroying communities. Some people are even saying that using a condom will save you from AIDS.

But there is a 20% failure among teenagers using condoms to prevent pregnancy. Unfortunately, this safe-sex message gives people a false sense of security. There are condom babies, and I wonder how many people still get AIDS, and they used a condom. People are risking their lives on a piece of plastic.

The safe-sex message is also telling people they are stupid. The message is telling people you do not have the discipline to say no to unhealthy sex, so we might as well give you condoms.

Today, teenagers are in more peril because of this safe-sex message. AIDS percentages are going up among teenagers. But AIDS isn't the only problem. Twenty years ago there were four types of STDs among teenagers. Now there are over thirty. Some STDs have no cure, and some lead to infertility. And yet another concern is the suicide rate. Non-virgins are six times more likely to commit suicide. What teens are looking for is love, acceptance, and security.

Amid this confusion surrounding teenage sexuality, the simplicity of one group's message is striking - sex outside marriage is wrong. Abstinence is true sexual freedom. You don't have to worry about getting pregnant, getting an STD, or dying of AIDS. Not to mention dealing with the emotional effects sex has when a relationship breaks up. If you can say, "No!" to drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes, why can't you say no to sex?

The abstinence message is morally correct and has been effective in cities like San Marcos and San Diego, California. I realize opponents call this approach naïve, but the parents I know are absolutely in favor of abstinence. Other critics say abstinence-only programs impose religious values on teenagers. But what is wrong with words like goodness and decency? Does it make sense just to criticize a program simply because it talks about values? What matters is - is the program working?

Sex education has to be more than teaching young people how sperm meets egg, tossing out loads of condoms, and hoping for the best. Abstinence says that it is all right to be a virgin, and you can act with dignity and grace.

Too Soon

by Ashlee Page

The middle-schooler in front of me fiddled with her hair and giggled. She was not talking to me about school, sports, or music, but she was talking to me about her sex life. Finally, I asked her why she had done it. She thought she was ready and "because everyone else was doing it."

But my heart was broken when she said she wished she had waited. She just did it to make her boyfriend happy. Then she broke up with him, and he told everyone she was a whore.

So how can kids resist the sexual pressure to postpone sex until marriage? Just providing kids with information on sexuality and birth control is not enough for today's young people. The abstinence idea is working, but the idea is facing a difficult battle. The percentages for girls and boys who have had intercourse are still quite high.

Yet the outcome of early sex is devastating. One in four, or three million, sexually active teens contract a sexually transmitted disease (STD) each year. The earlier children begin their sexual lives the greater the chance that they will become pregnant or infected with an STD such as herpes, chlamydia, genital warts, or HIV. Many teenagers who are infected with an STD do not recognize it or have symptoms of an STD, but they increase the chance of complications such as infertility, cervical cancer, and ectopic pregnancy.

Additionally, early childbearing can lock a young woman into a cycle of poverty and public assistance. Probably, she will be far less likely to complete high school, and she will probably get a lower paying job. The government each year spends billions of dollars on school, health, and welfare services for teenage mothers.

But early sexual involvement does not have to be inevitable. Parental influence on abstinence is important, and parents are more powerful than they know. Parent-child communication is an under-utilized resource that has a large potential for improving a situation.

Parents need to be approachable. Parents need to talk at an early age to their children about love, affection, and responsibility. Too many parents have values, but they do not communicate their values to their children. So adolescents are left to figure things out for themselves.

Parents need to say to kids, "I don't want you to have sex. You're too young. You're not emotionally ready for it."

This direct approach by parents is the basis of abstinence sex education. A disturbing truth is that even though sex education is mandated in some schools, unwed teen pregnancies keep soaring. Incredibly, many studies confirm that even when teens are given pregnancy and contraceptive education, their rate of pregnancy and unprotected sex remains virtually unchanged. And why? Knowledge is not sufficient to change behavior.

Parents are the overlooked resource. After hours in the classroom, learning about self-control can never take the place of a child's years of learning attitudes at home. Values are not taught by specialists. They are learned in the course of the kids' lives daily from those who influence them the most - their parents.

The Safest Sex of All

by Kara Hartman

Thank you, star athlete, for handling your shocking announcement that you have HIV virus. I admire your handling of this shocking announcement with the same poise, courage, and spirit that has pushed you to the peak of your profession. Your desire to turn personal tragedy into good for others is inspiring. But your message that "safe sex is the way to go" does not say enough.

The real issue is how the athlete contracted the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that leads to AIDS. Evidently, the star athlete never lacked for female companionship. In other words, he was sexually promiscuous.

How this star athlete became infected is important, not to condemn the man, but for the sake of educating others. AIDS is spread by behavior.

The messages of "safe sex" by using a condom are not accurate. The truth is condoms don't work all the time. They fail as much as ten percent of the time, and studies suggest that they are even less effective with infection from sexually transmitted diseases. Defects, breakage, and improper use all render condoms less than complete protection.

But what does work - all the time - is abstinence. One would expect that this preventive measure would be welcomed in the fight against this fatal disease. But this measure is still scoffed at by many.

Critics of abstinence label it as a naïve, unrealistic, dangerous approach to AIDS education. But the real danger lies in offering an incomplete solution (condoms) while excluding a promising one (abstinence) to a killer disease. There are even studies that suggest that among teenagers, easy availability of contraceptives actually increases sexual activity.

One health expert, former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, who watched the rise of AIDS during his years as a Presidential advisor, stated that the best way to prevent AIDS is to abstain from sex until adulthood and to restrict sexual activity to a faithful, monogamous relationship.

Star athletes' stories and the stories of common people highlight the need for the understanding of AIDS and compassion for its victims. But it also exposes sexual promiscuity for what it is - the major contributor to the spread of AIDS as well as venereal disease and undesired pregnancies. Promiscuity does not need to be accepted simply as a part of society. Although changing people's behaviors can be difficult, it can be done if people are willing to speak and hear the whole story about promiscuity and abstinence.

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IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Maine Teenagers Agree with the Message of Character Counts

Interview by Liza Pajak

Recently, I spoke with three high school sophomores to get their perspective on the abstinence movement. All three are active in sports and clubs in their school. All are 15 years of age. Emily is from a small mid-coast town. Dan lives in a prosperous suburban town, and Katie is from Maine's largest city, Portland.

Interviewer (**LP**): "In general, how do teenagers in your school feel about sexual involvement vs. abstinence?"

Emily: "Well, it's mixed, but most kids say that they'll wait until after high school, because it's a big deal. To us, it's a big ordeal and we don't want to deal with it right now."

Katie: "It depends on the person. A lot of kids think it's expected, that it's the normal thing to do if you're going steady with someone for awhile. For most kids, morals don't enter into it. They think if they're in love, then it's OK."

Emily: "I will probably wait until I get married. I definitely think that if you had sex, then you don't have as much self-esteem. I feel good about myself, so I don't really care about that. Some girls need to be with a boyfriend, with their arms around them all the time. I think if you can stand alone you're pretty well off.

"When girls do stuff like that they're trying to please the popular guys. Some girls think they have to. And there's a certain type of guy who thinks he has to be a big shot and always needs to have a girl, someone to fool around with, not someone to have a conversation with. To them, it doesn't really matter who the girl is. You hear guys talking about that all the time. Most sane people don't go out with guys like that."

Katie: "Guys have a different perspective. They think anything they do is OK. Their friends all commend them for it. With girls there's a lot more of a stigma. It makes a big difference in how a guy thinks about a girl. Guys don't want a bad reputation either. They know that if they become known as the kind of guy who will put pressure on a girl, then nobody will want to go out with them."

Dan: "I think guys act differently in front of their friends. They tend to exaggerate."

Katie: "Girls don't talk about it. They aren't proud of it."

Emily: "I do have a boyfriend. For four months. He's a senior. We don't want to do anything like that right now. He doesn't pressure me. He's a pretty regular guy."

Katie: "You're lucky if you find a guy who doesn't need to do that. His friends respect him for who he is. He's too good for that. There's no rush. A guy who really cares for you will want the best for you. And if things don't work out, you'll have no regrets. I know a girl who changed her mind after a bad experience. Having sex made her want to avoid it as much as possible from now on. She was devastated. She thought they were in love, and then he broke up with her. She thought she would find comfort. It made her feel wanted, but it's more complicated than that. She gained a really bad reputation because of it."

LP: "Do you think there's any way to help girls avoid those mistakes?"

Emily: "If you had a friend who was like that, you should talk to her and tell her she's too good for that, and she shouldn't. She'll either listen or she won't. But eventually she will."

LP: "What other troubles have you seen it cause?"

Dan: "Kids who are involved with drugs or drinking are more likely to engage in sex. They're a lot more laid back about things. They're less motivated for good grades. There's definitely a strong correlation there."

LP: "How about other dangers, like STD's?"

Katie: "Nobody ever sees that. Nobody talks about it. It's not even an issue. Pregnancy is a much bigger fear. They are definitely more scared about that. They think, if we're this young, and we're with someone who's never had sex before, then it's not even an issue. And very few think it's morally wrong."

Dan: "The media has a huge effect on expectations. Movies that are geared to teens are all about sex."

Katie: "It definitely has a lot to do with the media, and peer pressure."

Dan: "About a third of the kids fall for it."

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SEX SCANDAL HITS TEXAS

Tax-Supported Institutions Implicated in Cover-up - Undercover Tapes Being Released to Texas Media

During a recent nationwide undercover sting operation, Texas family planning clinics were caught on tape covering up what they believed was the statutory rape of a 13-year-old girl. Life Dynamics Incorporated of Denton, Texas recorded over 800 calls made to Planned Parenthood and National Abortion Federation facilities across America, including 67 in Texas. The female caller portrayed a13-year-old girl who was pregnant by an adult and wanted an abortion in order to hide the illegal sexual relationship from her parents and the authorities.

On the tapes, many of the clinic workers are heard telling the caller that this situation was unlawful and that they were legally mandated to report it to the state. However, even after acknowledging this, over 91 percent of the 800 facilities contacted agreed to illegally conceal it. When completed, the investigation documented a massive nationwide cover-up of child sexual abuse, with Texas results being virtually identical to the rest of the country. Texas representatives of these organizations--often operating on tax dollars--were routinely willing to instruct an underage sexual assault victim to:

-- lie about or conceal her age or the age of the man who impregnated her;
-- participate in illegal activity in order to circumvent the state's parental notification law;
-- use a fictitious name, phone number or address when she came to the facility;
-- keep the situation hidden by altering what she would say when she came to the facility;
-- be more careful about what information she gave out and to whom.

"The tapes from our investigation clearly prove that these people are running a pedophile protection racket," said Life Dynamics President, Mark Crutcher. "Texas family planning clinics are little more than corporate accomplices for sexual predators who target children." Calling the results of the survey sickening, Crutcher also noted that this cover-up is part of an epidemic of older men sexually preying on underage girls. "The most reliable current data shows that among girls 15 or younger who get pregnant, between 60 and 80 percent are impregnated by adults, and now we know who's making big money off the cover-up."

CREDENTIALED MEDIA OUTLETS CAN REQUEST A COPY OF THE "TEXAS COVER-UP" TAPE FROM: Melissa Yeaman of Life Dynamics Incorporated - Denton, Texas (940) 380-8800

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At a recent seminar for high school students dealing with sex and relationships from a Christian perspective, Jason Evert, MA, took the guys aside for a separate session where they could ask any question they wanted related to this important subject area. Jason didn't dodge any of the frank and direct questions, giving pointed and meaningful answers from a Biblical point of view. In the confusing moral climate in which we live, this program provides young men with guidance that is clear and unambiguous.

RELIGIOUS OUTREACH

Ending Abortion, Not Just Fighting It

Father Frank Pavone, Priests For Life

A friend recently asked me why I speak so often about "ending" abortion as opposed to just "fighting" it. There are a few reasons.

We have no other choice. Our nation, and civilized society as such, cannot continue to exist for very long on a basis that allows the destruction of little babies. Permission of the choice to kill the innocent does not provide a stable foundation for a society, because it removes the basis by which not only the unborn but everyone else in that society enjoys the protection of their lives. If a government can decide that one group of human beings are not persons, it can decide the same for other groups as well. If freedom of belief justifies violence against a baby, it justifies violence against anyone. We therefore have to bring abortion to an end. The abortion battle is not a matter of "Pro-life wins or pro-choice wins," but rather of "Pro-life wins or nobody wins."

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but rather...

"Pro-life wins or nobody wins."

The Gospel requires it. The demands of the Gospel are high. The responsibilities both of justice and of charity rest not only upon individuals but upon entire societies. We are not permitted to exclude anyone from our love. To fail to secure the basic rights of the unborn is to fail to love them. We cannot "settle" for less.

It is possible. I speak about "ending" abortion because it is a goal we can achieve. Yes, abortion has always been around. So have other sins. But we live today in a culture of abortion, which enshrines it in law, celebrates it as a right, and resorts to it with an alarming frequency that surpasses every other act of violence. That is something that can be turned around. A culture can be created in which abortion is not only illegal, but unthinkable. We can bring society to the point where, both in theory and practice, it regards abortion as it regards slavery today.

We can end abortion because the Lord has promised that "the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church." (Matt. 16:18) When we hear these words, we usually think, "The Church will survive all the attacks launched against her," and certainly that is true. But in a battle, a gate does not run out into the battlefield to attack the enemy. Rather, the gate stands still and defends the city against the enemy attacking it! When the Lord says the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church, He means that the Church is taking the initiative and storming the gates! Those gates of hell cannot withstand the power of heaven; gates of sin melt in the presence of saving grace; gates of death fall in the presence of eternal Life; gates of falsehood collapse in the presence of living Truth; gates of violence fall in the presence of Divine Love.

Abortion, indeed, will flee in the presence of the People of Life!

Want to know more about getting your parish or congregation involved in ending abortion and promoting life? Check out the following:

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Founded in 1992, The Shepherd's Godparent Home stands ready to serve as an alternative to abortion by housing teen girls (age 13-17) in a prenatal maternity home setting.

The Shepherd's Godparent Home in Bangor, Maine

The Home is located in a quiet residential neighborhood in Bangor, Maine. It took several years to select just the right house for this ministry. It was learned at the time of purchasing the property that it had been used as a Christian maternity home for unwed mothers over a hundred years ago. What a wonderful confirmation of God's leading! The Home is a 3-story colonial, fully renovated to house up to 5 clients in addition to houseparents.

Life at the Shepherd's Godparent Home will be both encouraging and challenging for the clients. The Godparent Home staff is committed to loving the girls and their unborn babies unconditionally.

The daily schedule at the Home will be filled with activities such as academic classes, educational field trips, life skills training, crafts, devotionals and much more.

On January 22, 2002, The Shepherd's Godparent Home was officially "adopted" by Bangor Baptist Church, and is now a boarding school of Bangor Christian Schools. The clients will be educated within the Home from an accredited high school program through Bangor Christian. The Home is expected to be an asset to the Maine Community, offering a positive choice to girls in unplanned pregnancy and the support they need to continue with their academics without sacrificing their high school education.

The Shepherd's Godparent Home provides room, meals and education at no cost to the client. This is made possible through the generosity of donors, churches, and other groups who support this tax-exempt, non-profit organization faithfully on a regular basis. The Godparent Home does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion or socio-economic status.

While The Shepherd's Godparent Home operates under the protective umbrella of Bangor Baptist Church, it is non-denominational in its approach to ministry, with a cross-section of Bible-believing churches represented through its Advisory Board.

The Shepherd's Godparent Home team has an informative presentation, including a video tour of the Home, which they are happy to share wherever they are invited.

For further information, to make a donation or to request a brochure, call (207) 947-9220, or write to:

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"THE POWER OF ABSTINENCE" WELL RECEIVED

We thank all who took a few moments to give us feedback about this year's convention by completing the pink survey sheet in their convention packets. Asked to rank presentations on a scale of 1 to 10 (with 10 being "most helpful"), those who responded circled a large number of 10's! Individual comments appear below:

Game Plan: Part I - "Goals & Dreams" - Scott Phelps

"Role of drugs/alcohol - emphasis greater - society limits and condemns drugs/alcohol and advertising, why not sex which is also dangerous?"

"Excellent."

"Just plain excellent!"

"Outstanding presentation."

"Fantastic."

"Start working to get into church youth group - program will work."

"The idea of presenting the truth (facts) and not opinion makes a lot of sense and is very persuasive."

Comprehensive Sex Ed vs. Abstinence Ed: An Experience at Richmond High School - Meg Yates

"Informative, to be sure."

"Glad she was asked to be in Richmond."

"Very good."

"Encouraging."

"Good to have daughter's input."

Maine Vitae TV Ad - Carl Maddaleni

"Superlative."

"Encouraging."

"TV ad seems almost too subtle RE: pro-life -- but they say it's successful."

"I missed it."

"This year's proposed 30-second spot doesn't seem to have quite the impact of previous ones."

"It was encouraging to learn the amount of financial resources that has been raised for this program. Just hope the stock market will rebound soon so that the 'big' generous donors will be around once again."

Game Plan: Part II - "Avoiding the Penalties" - Scott Phelps

"Excellent."

"Again, outstanding! And he gives us the tools to promote abstinence."

"We all need to hear this about the penalties or consequences of our decisions."

Video: "Sex, Love & Relationships" - Pam Stenzel

"Excellent for church-based."

"Super! Thanks for including her in the convention program."

"Excellent."

"The speaker talks plainly; I wonder if her blunt statements shouldn't be modified by hopeful alternatives to the desperate situations she describes."

"Dynamite."

"Could have watched more."

Character Counts in Maine: Where Do We Go From Here? - Mary Schiavoni

"Do not read - show overhead and talk."

"Great, Mary!"

"Scott Phelps said that maybe we could work through you to order *Game Plan*, so that we could get a cheaper price for our church teen training."

"Had to leave early."

"Mary should have elaborated more about why we have this education - i.e. Learning Results, etc."

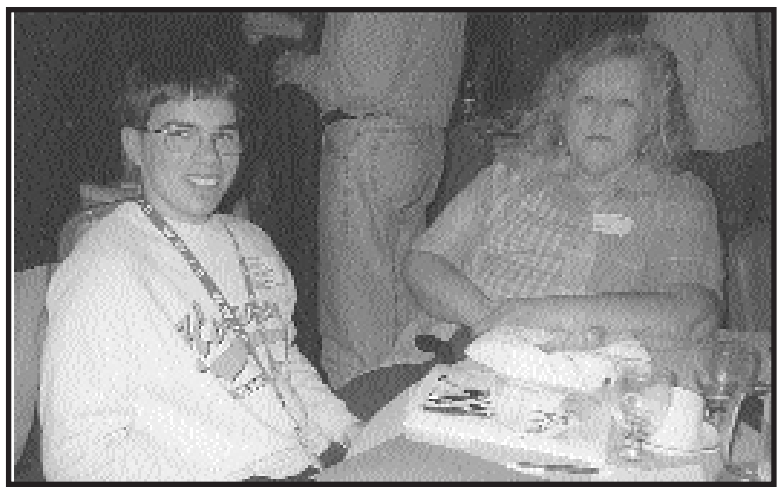
Information Packet/Convention Booklet/Display Tables

"There appears to be more than I can absorb in one sitting, obviously, but will attempt to sort it all out in the coming days."

"Thank you."

"Men do not differ much
about what things they will call evils;
they differ enormously
about what evils they will call excusable."

- G.K.Chesterton



Chris Olsson, a joyful young man with multiple handicaps and a beautiful smile, pictured here with his adopted Mom, Carol Olsson. Carol shared a wonderful and touching story about how Chris was almost aborted, but instead became a member of the Olsson family.

Survey results also indicated that while most thought the date and time of the convention to be convenient, 78% of those who responded said the length was just right, 15% thought it too long, and 6% gave no response. Seventy-two percent of those who responded were members of MRLC, 22% were guests, and 6% gave no response.

How did people learn of the Convention?

46%	*MRLC News*
29%	Mailing
14%	Word of mouth
11%	Church group

Participants gave their suggestions for future conventions...

"Voting - the big picture"

"More abstinence ed"

"Fr. Frank Pavone or another priest from Priests For Life"

"Mark Crutcher of Life Dynamics"

"The Big Picture and voting for the lesser of two evils"

"Continue with abstinence program (It's a big key!)"

"Presentation on PP (Planned Parenthood)"

"Priests For Life"

"Bring back STOPP (Stop Planned Parenthood)"

"Training parents to meet legislators, school boards"

"The disturbing truth of abortion"

"Life Dynamics (Mark Crutcher)"

...and a wide range of additional comments!

"Great job, MRTL!"

"Thanks so much."

"Right on track. Superb! Well done!"

"More questions from audience."

"This was all very positive. However, we need to recognize our obstacles that the legislators and, to some extent, the hierarchy of the Catholic Church have tuned us out. Dialogue does not seem to be effective with these groups. How do we touch them? Perhaps more interaction and dialogue between audience and speakers would be helpful."

"A fine program; informative in all ways."

"A long way to go for most Mainers!"

"Well prepared programs."

"Why hasn't *Roe v. Wade* been taken out of legislation, as Wade is deceased and Roe converted to pro-life?"

"Luncheon was also excellent! Food was great and beautifully presented. Wait-staff did a wonderful job!"

"I think this was a very expensive convention (expensive facility and meal). I would suggest having a less formal setting - maybe closer to Augusta (central Maine) - that would draw more people, more teens, less expensive, less formal/more inviting."

"Good setting; good luncheon."

"Thank you so much for hosting this event. As a state under the thumb of PPNNE, I have fought this battle for 6 years. They are evil! We need to involve all six New England states and work together. Your program was a great start."

"Thank you for all your hard work!"

"Excellent info and materials. I am a former Family Planning outreach worker from the Seventies. The presentations and information given was very informative. I needed to be modernized."

"Great convention."

MRLC Salutes the Knights

Officers attending the 1997 dedication (left to right): Grand Knight William Green, Council Chaplain Rev. Coleman P. O'Toole, District Deputy John M. Brown, State Deputy Roger Melancon, Field Agent Kent White, and State Treasurer Walter Golojuch. Also in attendance were members of Westbrook Assembly #356 and Fr. Sebastian Rasle Assembly #337 Portland.

PORTLAND - The dedication of the Monument to the Unborn was made by Father Coleman P. O'Toole on November 2, 1997, at St. Patrick's Church on Congress Street.

This monument came about by the hard work of members and their spouses of **Knights of Columbus Council #101**. The monument is visible to vehicle traffic on one of the busiest streets in Portland. It makes a statement to members of the parish and to the public that abortion is real and is still taking place every day in Portland. We must not forget the innocent victims. They must be given the "Choice to Live" the same as you and I had.

Photo and information provided by John M. Brown

****** ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:*** We would like to feature ***your*** Council in *MRLC News!* If you sponsored a Memorial to the Unborn in your part of the state, send us a **clear** photo and a short write-up with all the pertinent information. (Please specify if you wish the photo to be returned.) Thank you!

Women Affirming Life
Co-Sponsors National Symposium

"30 years of Abortion and Its Impact on Women"

Boston College Law School
Boston, MA
Saturday, January 25, 2003
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Speakers include:
Mary Ann Glendon
Elizabeth Fox-Genovese
Elizabeth Shadigian, M.D.

January 2003 will mark 30 years since abortion was legalized in all 50 states. Since then, more than 40 million abortions have been performed in America. Women now in their 60s and 70s had abortions in the first years after legalization. Many young women now undergoing abortion have grown up in a culture of "choice" and have never known a time when abortion was not available.

Deep disagreement over abortion has never subsided in intensity. Women face the issue in college, in their health care plans, in the workplace. Three decades is a significant period from which to assess the myriad ways in which abortion has affected women, their relationships, their health, their lives, their future.

The symposium will provide a unique opportunity to examine the consequences of three decades of abortion on demand. It will bring together some of the most qualified scholars, analysts, and speakers to assess the experience of the last 30 years and to suggest change for future possibilities.

The cost for the one-day event is $50, which includes lunch and refreshments. For a brochure and more information, contact Patricia DeGrinney at 883-5083; email <JosephD663@aol.com>.

Students interested in a scholarship are advised to register on-line, if possible, as scholarships are limited. Contact Americans United for Life (AUL):

<http://www.unitedforlife.org/30_year_symposia/symposia.htm> or <*information@unitedforlife.org*>

Other co-sponsors for this event include ***Feminists for Life of America***, ***Boston College Law School***, and the ***Women's Fund of Americans United for Life***.

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ABSTINENCE MESSAGE WORKS!

More than a dozen youth were on hand for the convention, among whom were students from Calvary Chapel School in Orrington (left to right): ShaelaColby, Auburn Colby, Chris McDonald, Mike Colby, Ashton Colby, and Nate Colby.

Dan Hogan of Nashua, NH, with convention speaker Meg Yates. Dan, a member of NHRTL, has long been involved with the abstinence issue in his state and was delighted with our convention theme, "The Power of Abstinence." He is a strong advocate of pro-life groups in the New England states working together.

Maine Right to Life Convention Hits Home Run

Dick Traynor

"You hit a home run!" exclaimed Ron Shaw of Lagrange, heaping praise on the MRLC annual convention October 19th at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel in Bangor.

Ron was referring to the abstinence message presented by **Scott Phelps** of *Project Reality*, an abstinence education organization based in Illinois. The abstinence movement, sweeping across the nation, teaches and encourages teens, preteens and others to remain sexually abstinent until marriage to avoid a host of disastrous consequences following pre-marital sexual activity.

Scott conducted his very enjoyable presentation by using an audience interaction style that kept the crowd heavily involved in the process. Many of those attending were teens who got involved in the free-flowing give-and-take of information. Following the format of the *Project Reality* workbook ***Game Plan***, Scott used audience participation to elicit responses to pertinent questions related to pre-marital sexual activity. Such sexual activity has consequences and he wanted teens and others to ponder those consequences before engaging in sexual practices.

Teen volunteers from the audience wrote on large easel pads of paper as Scott questioned the audience. "What are the possible negative physical, emotional, mental and social consequences of pre-marital sexual conduct?" he asked.

Project Reality speaker Scott Phelps (left), his lovely wife Carrie, and Mary Schiavoni, president of Character Counts in Maine.

The following spoken responses came from the audience and were recorded by the teens:

Physical: pregnancy (baby), sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), AIDS, death, infertility, cervical cancer
Emotional: feeling used, empty, low self-esteem, loneliness, broken heart, anger, bitterness

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PRO-LIFE MICHAUD WINS!

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EDITORIAL

In 30 long years of bitter frustration since a renegade United States Supreme Court, in the infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision, withdrew the protection of law from babies in the womb, and consigned more than 40,000,000 babies to painful death, truth has been held hostage. The true facts of conception and prenatal development, the humanity of the preborn baby, the violence of abortion, the reality of post abortion trauma, all have been publicly denied while the crime of abortion has been elevated to the status of a fundamental constitutional right.

For pro-lifers continuing the struggle to protect human life, *what offers real hope,* the prospect of imminent change?

The abstinence movement offers *real hope*. Why? Because abstinence acknowledges the truths of science and human nature; it directly involves the young; it calls upon youth to exercise sound judgment and restraint; it contributes to the building of character; it sees girls and boys as noble persons and not as sex objects; it reduces the incidences of pregnancy and therefore temptations to resort to abortion.

Abstinence frees the young to aspire to great things, to live exuberantly but morally straight.

A culture with abundant numbers of abstinent youth with high aspirations will not long tolerate the lies of the abortion culture. Pro-lifers should step forward and aggressively promote abstinence education. Succeed with abstinence education and the incidence of abortion will nose dive.

2002 Convention - ***RAFFLE WINNERS***

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Tom Traynor of Maplewood, NJ

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Marc Chasse of Fort Kent, ME

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ABSTINENCE ADVOCATE IS NEW MISS AMERICA!

Popular Miss Illinois wins coveted crown, title

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ -- Miss Illinois Erika Harold, 22, an enthusiastic advocate of teen abstinence education, won the coveted Miss America title for 2003 on September 21 in Atlantic City. She captured the crown with her beauty, poise, interview skills, and singing talent.

Miss Illinois Erika Harold

Miss Harold has been a spokeswoman for Illinois' leading abstinence education organization, Project Reality, since 1999, addressing thousands of young people in Illinois public schools about empowering youth to make good life decisions. When she won the Miss Illinois pageant, the state required her to adopt its official platform of teen violence prevention, and she successfully wove the abstinence message into that issue.

"Erika sees the connection between helping teens to avoid all risky behaviors in order to prevent violence," stated Project Reality director of public relations Libby Gray. "Her work with abstinence education will greatly enhance programs and efforts to address teen violence during her reign as Miss America."

A graduate of the University of Illinois-Champaign, Miss Harold has been accepted at the country's five leading law schools and has decided to attend Harvard after her year-long reign as Miss America comes to a close.

"Erika's winning Miss America is one of those dream situations that you don't think can come true," said Kathleen Sullivan, director of Project Reality. "Fortunately for everyone, this dream did come true because Erika is a wonderful role model for young women."

After being chosen Miss East Central Illinois in 1999, Miss Harold earned the state's community service award for her work with her platform: "Teenage Sexual Abstinence: 'Respect Yourself, Protect Yourself.'" *(See* ***Education Reporter****, November 1999.)* In this year's contest, Erika held the preliminary title of Miss Land of Lincoln before being crowned Miss Illinois 2002.

As a Project Reality spokeswoman, Miss Harold addressed audiences as diverse as national and state legislators and the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center in Chicago. Last spring, she submitted written testimony on welfare reform reauthorization to the U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce supporting abstinence education programs nationwide.

Mrs. Sullivan pointed out that many of the Miss America contestants are exceptional young women who care about important issues. She cited first runner-up Miss Alabama, Scarlotte Deupree, whose platform emphasized the importance of teaching children to read. "Miss Deupree talked about the importance of mothers reading to their children as a benefit to the entire family," Mrs. Sullivan said.

At a reception immediately following the nationally televised pageant, the new Miss America urged her fellow contestants to "keep together" for the purpose of bringing "good" messages to young people, including sexual abstinence and avoidance of drugs, alcohol, and violence. "Such encouragement from glamorous young women who are themselves successful in practicing these virtues can make a big difference in young people's lives, as our Project Reality spokeswomen have shown," asserted Mrs. Sullivan.

Last January, Project Reality organized a "Power of Abstinence" celebration for several hundred Chicago-area students. Fifteen young women representing 13 states and the District of Columbia, who successfully competed in beauty pageants including Miss America, Miss Black USA and Miss All-American Latina, made short presentations at this celebration after advocating for abstinence as their pageant platforms.

In April, a group of pageant titleholders including Miss Black USA 2001 Lisa Marie Miree, Miss Wisconsin 1999 Mary Louise Kurey, and Miss Nevada 2001 Ashley Huff, traveled to Washington, DC to meet with Congressmen and their staffs about the need to continue funding for abstinence-until-marriage programs. "These programs are helping teens to understand the benefits of abstinence as well as helping them to avoid the negative consequences of STDs and pregnancy," Project Reality spokeswoman Kurey told the Congressmen. "Continuing funding for these programs will reduce costs in other areas and will benefit young people both physically and emotionally."

Funded in part by a grant from the Illinois Department of Human Services, Project Reality's programs -- including the popular "Game Plan" abstinence curriculum by A.C. Green -- served 71,000 students last year in Illinois alone. Abstinence education programs have been credited for contributing to the recent decline in teen births, currently at a 40-year low in Illinois.

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Mental: stress, worry, fear, regret, confusion, bad memories, pressure, distraction
Social: bad reputation, rumors, gossip, poor grades, loss of friends, withdrawn personality, parental conflicts

Scott then asked, "If you are sexually active, do you think all of these thing will happen to you?" The audience said, "No." "Could some of them happen to you?" he persisted. They answered, "Yes."

Scott Phelps enlisted four intrepid teen volunteers from the audience to help with an activity from the **Game Plan** workbook (left to right): Ashton Colby, Mike Colby, Nate Colby, and Chris McDonald.

Some of the consequences considered most negative by the audience were related to pregnancy and STDs:

Pregnancy: may not finish school; interference with marriage; increased and untimely responsibility; increased expenses
STDs: contagious; painful; difficulty conceiving children; embarrassing; interference with future relationships

Scott emphasized that if you are sexually active, there is no way to know in advance what will happen to you. *And you don't get to choose **which** consequences will happen to you.*

Fact: one in four sexually active teens get an STD.
Fact: one in five sexually active teen girls get pregnant.

Concerning the prevalent teen attitude of "It won't happen to *me*" Scott warned that, every day, 2500 teenage girls get pregnant in America, resulting in decision making by teens expecting a baby. All of their options have consequences, e.g., carrying the baby to term and putting the baby up for adoption, or keeping the baby after birth with all the added responsibilities entailed, or, for some, abortion with all its devastating consequences.

Practicing abstinence and avoiding the multitude of negative consequences of pre-marital sexual activity means playing by the rules of life and reaping the rewards. These rewards include feelings of self-confidence, high self-esteem, focus on schooling and grades, healthy relationships, sports activities, and a disease-free body in preparation for marriage.

Scott stressed that, in athletics, having a game plan can make the difference between winning and losing. The same is true of life. For a teen to have a "game plan" concerning social relationships is to build character traits which lay the foundation for a happy life with a spouse and family and a successful career.

During Scott's presentation he referred to Erika Harold, the current Miss America, who is a virgin and is an abstinence spokesperson for Project Reality. *[See article about Erika elsewhere in this issue. - Ed.]* News stories have described pressure by the Miss America pageant to have Erika drop allusions to abstinence during her yearlong appearances. She fought the committee on this issue, and won! "I will not be bullied," Erika stated.

MRLC Education Committee chairperson Janet LeBlanc shares a laugh with President Bob Estes. Bob's son Nick is in the foreground.

Drawing a standing ovation at its conclusion, Scott's presentation was ample evidence that he is a great communicator with a very exciting message.

Following Scott Phelps, **Meg Yates**, RN, MSc, continued the abstinence focus and described the experience she had when she was invited to a wellness day at Richmond High School. Meg described her talks to Richmond students by using the terms "holistic" and "mechanistic."

Conventional contraceptive "sex-ed" programs, she said, take the mechanistic approach, which does not give students strong, multi-faceted reasons to refrain from engaging in risky sexual behavior. Rather, students are taught all the "mechanics" of sex and how to prevent pregnancy and some STDs. Imparting knowledge and techniques to build character and to avoid sexual activity are not part of this "sex-ed" program.

Meg then described the holistic approach of abstinence education, which teaches students how to develop healthy character traits and habits. This is 100% in line with wholesome goals and teaches a 100% effective method for a healthy, abundant family life. Abstinence training focuses on building character, which is reflected in the ability to make healthy choices. The teens who are chaste, and over 50% are, stand a much better chance of being happy and satisfied because they don't have the stress of sexual relationships or worry about STDs and pregnancy.

A convincing and poised speaker, Meg was very effective in contrasting the positive results of abstinence with the negative consequences of teen premarital sex.

A highlight of the day was the video ***"Sex, Love & Relationships"*** featuring **Pam Stenzel**, a celebrated abstinence lecturer who riveted the audience with her powerful message. Pam, whose mother was raped but elected to give life, spoke movingly of her gratitude to her mother who chose life for her baby. Defending the right of a baby conceived in rape to be born, she told hundreds of teens in her video audience, "My life is every bit as valuable as yours."

Nothing but smiles to reflect a successful convention! Left to right: Speakers Meg Yates, Scott Phelps, and Mary Schiavoni; MRLC Executive Director Dick Traynor; MRLC Office Manager Michelle Truman.

Pam's hard-hitting message spoke of the dozens of STDs circulating among sexually active teens, many of them viral and therefore incurable. STDs can be transmitted by *any kind* of sexual activity, not just intercourse. Each day in America, there are *42,000 new cases* of STDs! The most common is human papillomavirus (HPV) which is incurable. Sterility and cervical cancer are catastrophic consequences of some STDs.

Girls have "open" reproductive systems and are thereby far more vulnerable than boys, who have "closed" reproductive systems. Girls can get pregnant. Girls bond more quickly and easily and suffer emotional consequences more readily. The risk for a girl contracting HIV from a boy is estimated to be **eight times greater** than for a boy to contract it from a girl.

Due to shortness of time, only half of Pam Stenzel's 55-minute program could be shown. This video, however, can be ordered through Maine Right to Life and is well worth having. It is suitable for schools and youth groups. The cost of the video is $20.00 (includes postage).

The very memorable day concluded with an informative message by **Mary Schiavoni**, president of *Character Counts in Maine,* a non-profit organization recently formed to teach abstinence in Maine. Look for Mary's wonderful and practical list of ***"What You Can Do"*** which is featured elsewhere in this issue.

The convention facilities at Sheraton Four Points were superb and the food was outstanding. The hot, sit-down lunch of "Grilled Chicken Marsala" was worthy of four stars.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

*to help **CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE**,*
a non-profit organization formed to teach abstinence in Maine

1. Register with ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. This way we can keep you informed of events, meetings and training coming to your area. Be sure you are a **REGISTERED VOTER**.

2. Encourage your children and their friends to register with ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** so we can ***keep them informed of up-coming events, statewide contests, educational activities***.

3. Let us know the schools you want us to contact to let them know about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. Send us the names of your children's schools. We can provide information about Character Development - Kindergarten through Grade 5 - and Middle School and High School curricula and activities. Programs are also appropriate for Home Schooled children as well.

4. Join our network of volunteers around the state. No required meetings. Time and involvement can vary. For example, when we travel throughout the state, we need contact people in that area for just that time.

5. Talk about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** with your child's teachers, school principal, and members of the school Board.

6. Contact ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** about working with you to make a presentation to your School Board or to talk with individual committee members. Send us the names and addresses of your school Board members to whom you wish us to send information about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***.

7. Look for our new web site < **www.charactercountsinmaine.com** > coming in 30-60 days. It will be available 24/7 with information for everyone, i.e. students, parents, teachers. We will list current medically accurate information, schedule for meetings around the state, on-going contests, potential legislation, etc.

8. Write letters to your legislators, telling them about ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. Let them know that **YOU KNOW** there are appropriate ways to teach our children about their character and sexuality, and that you do not agree with the current programs flooding our schools and teaching inappropriate activities for sexual behavior.

9. Volunteer to be on the Legislative Alert Committee. Be part of this team. Send us the **names of newspapers** in your community.

10. Use your special talents for ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE***. We need a team for our fundraising efforts. Learn how to work with others in writing grants. No experience necessary.

11. Invite ***CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE*** to come to your area. We are setting up our calendar for 2003.

12. **BECOME TRAINED IN ABSTINENCE EDUCATION**. Training to be scheduled throughout 2003.

13. Please support us financially as is possible for you. **VISION: 1000 people to give $10.00 each**. Donations are tax deductible.

CHARACTER COUNTS IN MAINE
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Hold Fast the Sanctity of Life

The miracle of life, as such,
Comes forth, as but a seed.
This awesome, holy mystery
Hails from procreation's deed.
For, as His Word commanded:
"Go forth, and multiply.
Create man in God's image,"
As reflected in you and I.

"All life is sacred," verily,
The Lord makes known to all.
The "choice" is ours, accordingly,
To reject, or accept, His call.
In embracing life, through birthing man,
We release His plan for all.
But, if we dare to shut Him out,
Humanity, as its price, shall fall.

In the womb of life, sanctity unveiled,
Through the love of God, all-knowing,
And, amidst despair, because man failed,
There is hope for deadly choosing.
In the wake of lies and pride-filled ways,
Births deceit, which is confusing.
Yet, the Answer-Raised above the haze,
In Choice for Life, there is no losing.

All life is perfect in God's eyes,
Despite man's faults and imperfections.
There are never failures or mistakes,
Only man-made limitations.
For God causes everything to work out right,
No matter how we all may feel.
Through His precious grace and Love-Shed Light,
To us, His perfect Truths reveal.

In our journeys' search for meaning,
With the choices that we make,
It all boils down to what we choose,
Both in what we give and take.
For, in choosing life, the "choice" is clear:
Life rains down God's joy and peace.
But, in choosing death, ignoring fear:
Does an unborn's heartbeat cease.

For the weary souls, who opt for death,
Will God's judgment fall upon,
Bringing pain and strife and dark despair
For the "choice" that stole life's dawn.
But, even, death was conquered by the One -
Emmanuel, conceived - God's Begotten Son,
Conceived, to die - a Living Sacrifice:
To show the world God's Way.
If we'd, but, choose the right to live,
And, like Jesus, follow and obey.

All life is sacred and sanctified
Through unfailing love and mercy,
Bearing the sin of all, as Jesus died,
Freeing ill-conceived choice by humanity.
Conceptions birth was crucified,
And, in His tender love, so healing,
Christ gave Hope for all, choosing to believe,
In His Word that's all-prevailing.

The "choice" for life is choice for love,
And love bears every wrong
Of the family of the Living God,
For, to Him we all belong.
Birthed by mercy and forgiveness,
Erased of sin through consecration,
Called to repent for man-made wickedness,
And share in Christ's Banquet and Communion.

So, hold fast the sanctity of life
In redemption through God's Son,
For we birth His Living Image,
And, in Christ, we are made one.
If we, but, make the "Choice" to live,
And, as promised in His Word,
We will live for all eternity
In green pastures with our Shepherd.

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THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU

During the past several months, our expensive-to-repair-and-rapidly-declining photocopier required the feeding of one sheet at a time in order to prevent constant paper jams. *BUT NO MORE!* A wonderful supporter (who wishes to remain anonymous) recently appeared at the MRLC office with a new copier!! We are **very** grateful for this generous -- and most welcome! -- contribution for our pro-life work. Multiple copies are now a breeze!

GAME PLAN

A Method for Teaching Abstinence

Bill Galey

It may not be entirely surprising that there are groups in this country endeavoring to persuade teenagers to abstain from sex until marriage. What *may* come as a surprise is that, forty years into the sexual revolution, many teens are responding positively to the idea - when it is well presented.

An example of a well-presented program for teaching abstinence to teens is *Game Plan,* which was described by Scott Phelps of Chicago to the audience of Maine Right to Life's annual convention on October 19th in Bangor. Scott co-authored the text of *Game Plan* and is an executive of Project Reality, which brings *Game Plan* to 40,000 Illinois students every year. The booklets are paid for in that state by a grant from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services abstinence funds!

Game Plan was conceived by A.C. Green, the Los Angeles Lakers basketball star who has played in a league record of 1,150 consecutive games. In high school, Green had made up his own mind to save sex for marriage. He attributes much of his success as basketball's all-time "Ironman" to this decision.

Why is Game Plan effective?

It gets someone to think...

ask questions...

find answers!

Choose ABSTINENCE!

Game Plan is presented in a series of eight sessions. There is an attractive 80-page booklet for each student and an accompanying teacher's text called "Coach's Clipboard." The program's method is to ask questions of the student and to let the student answer for him/herself. The questions deal with the student's life goals and with the bad choices, especially in the area of sexual relations, that can derail his/her pursuit of them.

Included in the booklet is a carefully worded definition of the word "abstinence" and chapters on the media, on rules, and on the consequences (physical, emotional, mental, and social) of being sexually active. There are stories about teens and analytical questions about the stories. There is a chapter on sexually transmitted diseases (one in four Americans infected; STDs on the increase among teens; no cure for many STDs; girls affected most). There are chapters on starting over, on choosing friends, on the characteristics one must develop to reach one's goals, and a wonderful chapter on marriage.

At the convention, Scott illustrated the *Game Plan* method by interacting with the audience, which included many teenagers. There is probably no more effective way to get someone to think about an important subject than to ask questions about it and let the person answer for him/herself. The effectiveness of *Game Plan* derives from its use of this method and from the thoroughness of its exploration of the subject.

Scott Phelps speaks to thousands of teens each year on the subject of abstinence. He said that the abstinence movement has grown to such an extent that Planned Parenthood is alarmed and running full-page ads against it in *The New York Times.*

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www.mainerighttolife.com
Contact us through our web site, or send a message to life4me@gwi.net, and get on our email list. Keep current with *Maine Right to Life* issues and events!

www.nrlc.org
National Right to Life Committee. Information, resources, national legislative issues and alerts.

www.stoppinternational.org
Stop Planned Parenthood International. Arm yourself with information from this web site, which reports the notorious goings-on of Planned Parenthood nationally and abroad.

www.abortionfacts.com
Brings together quality information on the abortion debate from many different sources and makes it available to the world in one abortion megasite.

www.abortionsurvivors.org/home.html
A Christian, pro-life activism organization designed to both educate and activate high school and college age students as their legacy as survivors of the greatest holocaust in world history.

www.afterabortion.org
The Elliot Institute, with the most complete source of information (over 300 links!) on the after effects of abortion and post-abortion healing.

www.polycarp.org
Mission of *The Polycarp Research Institute* is to promote and perform research that seeks to improve the physical, psychological and spiritual condition of mankind. Site includes information on breast cancer and abortion, breast cancer and oral contraceptives, and postfertilization effects of emergency contraception and oral contraceptives.

www.prolifeaction.org
Joe Scheidler's *Pro-Life Action League*. Dedicated to saving the lives of the unborn through the use of non-violent direct action and speaking for those who do not have a voice.

www.projectreality.org
Project Reality. Provides abstinence classroom education programs, assemblies for students, programs for parents, and training for teachers across the country. New abstinence program features *A.C. Green's GAME PLAN*.

www.enlightencom.com
Enlighten Communications, Inc. Pam Stenzel inspires young people to embrace the benefits of character and abstinence before marriage.

www.abstinence.net
Abstinence Clearinghouse. Provides educational materials to parents, schools, churches, CPCs, and helps all of the above to network!

www.respectincorporated.com
Respect Incorporated. Featuring Dr. Coleen Kelly Mast's curriculum entitled "Sex Respect: The Option of True Sexual Freedom."

www.mikelong.com
Featuring Mike Long's "Everyone Is NOT Doing It!" abstinence-until-marriage video series.

www.medinstitute.org/media/index.htm
The Medical Institute. Good resource for sexuality related issues!

www.truelovewaits.com
A division of LifeWay Christian Resources, the international campaign *True Love Waits* is about following God's plan for purity. Works through churches, student organizations, healthcare groups, and campuses, challenging teens and college students to remain sexually abstinent until marriage.

www.teen-aid.org
Teen-Aid, Inc. builds character and families. Info and links for teens and adults; statistics for reports; suggestions; resources.

www.lovematters.com
Love Matters. Discover how saving sex for marriage will help you find happiness and avoid heartaches and diseases that nobody needs.

REGIONAL NEWS

From Kennebec County Chapter:

Kennebec County Chapter (KCC) continues to sponsor the **BABY PAGE** in *MRLC News* and invites readers to participate! Send a good, *clear* photo of your child (grandchild, niece, nephew) **born since January 1, 2002.** Donation for photo entries: $2.50 each (one photo per child). Please indicate whether or not you would like the photo returned.

As for other projects, the KCC is again selling pro-life **calendars,** which are beautiful and in full color. The cost is $6.00 each. Also available is a handsome cookbook FULL of **apple recipes**! Our own Barbara Pelletier has compiled an amazing 125 apple recipes and reproduced them in convenient binder form. Cookbooks sell for $10.00 each, if you pick it up at the office ($15.00 if you have it mailed to you). Proceeds help to sponsor crisis pregnancy and abstinence radio ads that run periodically on a local station. Both calendars and cookbooks make **great gifts** and are currently available at the Maine Right to Life office, 8 Green Street, Augusta. Support the cause! Get your copies today by calling **622-3837**.

Correction: *on the Regional News page of the Aug/Sept 2002 issue of* ***MRLC News,*** *it was* ***Molly*** *Sirois (not Lindsey) who was pictured with Pauly Haskell and Mindy Compagna in the KCC yard sale photos. We apologize for the error. - Ed.*

From York County Chapter:

The two banquets held on November 2, 2002 featuring guest speaker **GIANNA JESSEN** were wonderfully positive events for youth and adults alike. One could not come away without being touched in some way by Gianna's amazing story, which she told simply but powerfully. Aborted in the third trimester after remaining in a toxic saline solution in her mother's womb for 18 hours, Gianna miraculously survived. Now after 25 years, she continues to be living testimony to the sovereign power of God, joyfully giving her witness in voice and in song.

Other highlights of the youth banquet: The teen band **Paid in Full,** of the First Baptist Church in Portland, played contemporary and also softer praise music. Motivated by their faith, Paid in Full had great sound and was well received. The band donated all the money received from selling T-shirts at the banquet to the York County Chapter (YCC). Nathanael Yellis spoke about **TeenPact,** whose goal is "to train today's youth to passionately and effectively impact government and culture for Christ." He stressed the importance of *just one* person. The individual **does** count and can be very effective. As a concrete example of this, he stated that each time someone personally approaches a legislator, it counts the same as **100** phone calls or ***1000*** emails! This information came from a legislator. Nathanael also made the point that appropriate dress commands respect. TeenPact is "an outstanding opportunity to get a close-up look at state government from a Biblical perspective." Visit the TeenPact website for more information: www.teenpact.com or call 888-343-1776.

Speakers and musicians at the Nov. 2nd banquet sponsored by York County Chapter - front row, left to right: Father Griffith, Dick Traynor, Mary Schiavoni, Roxann Spicer of Veritas, Gianna Jessen, Judy Cushing, Pastor Bob Egan; back row, left to right: Veritas band members John Spicer, Kevin Towle, Frank Maliski, and Rick Odess.

Other highlights of the adult banquet: The 5-member band **Veritas**, hailing from various churches in New Hampshire and Maine, shared their beautiful and distinctive sound throughout the meal, closing with praise songs at the end of the evening. An excerpt from Veritas' bio states that "this group is drawn together by the bond that can only be found in Jesus Christ." Veritas donated $3.00 of each CD they sold at the banquet to YCC. Banquet attendees were also inspired by Dick Traynor, executive director of Maine Right to Life; Mary Schiavoni, president of abstinence-based Character Counts in Maine (Mary also spoke at the youth banquet); Judy Cushing, executive director of ABBA Pregnancy Center, Portland; Pat Rohm, executive director of ALPHA Pregnancy Center, Sanford; and Doug Pelletier, vice-president of YCC.

"One man with courage is a majority." - *Thomas Jefferson*

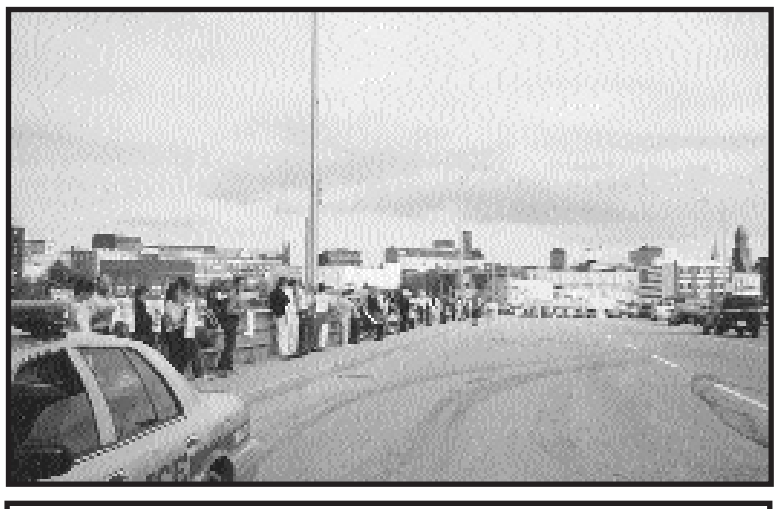
Life Chains Around the State of Maine

On Sunday, October 6, 2002 Life Chains were held across the United States and Canada. A Life Chain is an ecumenical gathering to pray for an end to abortion and a public witness against the killing of children in the womb. Participants offered an hour of quiet, heartfelt prayer while standing on both sides of a street and holding signs which read "Abortion kills children", "Abortion hurts women", "Adoption a loving option", and "Jesus forgives and heals".

In Maine, Life Chain events were coordinated statewide by Michelle Morneault and Ron Charpentier in **Lewiston/Auburn, Van Buren, Madawaska, Fort Kent, Portland, Columbia, Ellsworth, Lincoln,** and **Bucksport.** Local contacts for some of these areas shared their reflections with us:

The **Lewiston-Auburn** Life Chain had about 125 people in attendance. It was a beautiful, sunny, warm day as we prayed for an hour to end abortion and for respect for all human life. We were one of nine Life Chains in Maine and one of over 850 in the U.S. and Canada, all praying that same afternoon. We believe that all these prayers will help turn the tide towards a culture of life. *(Michelle Morneault)*

We had a very successful Life Chain - about 80-90 people - in fact, it was an "international event," where people lined the bridge between **Madawaska** in Maine and Edmundston in Canada. The youth groups from the parishes of St. David and St. Thomas also participated. *(Don Blanchette)*



The Lewiston-Auburn Life Chain spanned the bridge between the twin cities.

It was beautiful; very positive. There were about 20 people at our station (one of 3 in the **Ellsworth** area). At the end of the hour, one of the attendees commented, "Is it time to go already? I'd like to stay longer!" We also received a card from a family unable to attend, but who wanted to show support for the work of life. *(Kathy Birdsall)*

It was a good day to be out. Weatherwise, it was beautiful! Both children and adults (about 14) participated in the **Bucksport** Life Chain and the response to it was very favorable. One lady

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PRO-LIFE MICHAUD WINS!

Maine Right to Life PAC congratulates Democrat Congressman-elect Mike Michaud on his outstanding victory in the 2nd Congressional District race.

Michaud, running with a 22-year solid pro-life voting record, was hammered by his opponent Kevin Raye for being pro-life. Michaud won a clear victory, however, bucking a heavy Republican trend in races for national office.

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE PLEASED WITH ELECTION OUTCOME

The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) is delighted over the outcome of the mid-term elections and is pleased with the prospect of working with the many new pro-life members in the U.S. House of Representatives and in the Senate. NRLC is especially pleased to welcome a number of new pro-life women to Congress including Elizabeth Dole (R-NC), Katherine Harris (R-FL), Candice Miller (R-MI), Marilyn Musgrave (R-CO), and Marsha Blackburn (R-TN).

Carol Tobias, Director NRLC Political Action Committee, stated, "This has been a tremendous grassroots victory for our pro-life volunteers, who worked tirelessly to triumph over pro-abortion organizations that poured a lot of money into these elections."

Pro-lifers held onto or won a number of Senate seats including eight of the ten most watched races. The seats in those states - Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, South Carolina, and Colorado - will all be held by dedicated pro-lifers.

In contrast, EMILY's List, the pro-abortion political action committee, did very poorly, losing 17 of their top 22 races.

The abortion issue played a key role in a number of races including the Missouri Senate race. Responding to a Fox News Election Day poll, 17% of voters in Missouri ranked abortion as the single most important issue in deciding their vote. Of those who ranked abortion as the most important issue, 80% voted for pro-life Senate candidate Jim Talen (R-MO).

Pro-lifers won another stunning Senate victory in Minnesota with pro-life Norm Coleman (R) defeating pro-abortion former Vice President Walter Mondale (D) for the seat left open by the death of Senator Paul Wellstone (D).

*In Maine, pro-life State Senator **Mike Michaud** (D) **defeated** pro-abortion candidate **Kevin Raye** (R) **52% to 48%** in the 2nd Congressional race.*

"Two-thirds of the newly elected House members are pro-life. Once again, the pro-life issue has proved to be a winning issue for candidates," Tobias said.

For more information, contact Suzanne Stanmeyer 202-626-8825 NRLC's website: www.nrlc.org

We are grateful, O God, for our nation which, at its foundation, recognized Your sovereignty by basing its law on morality and true justice. We give thanks and we pray that the November election may bear fruit in public policy, which protects the dignity and sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. Give wisdom, understanding and courage to elected officials who serve with power given by You. Amen.

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remarked that this year's Life Chain seemed to touch her more deeply at the spiritual level. Would like to see more involvement by area churches; any ideas or suggestions? *(Judy Martel)*

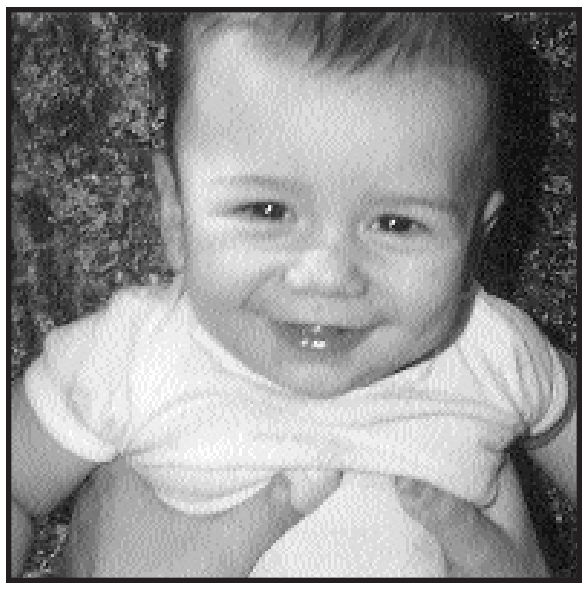
According to customary practice, **Fort Kent** Right to Life held a Life Chain on the first Sunday of October in a spirit of solidarity with hundreds of similar gatherings throughout the nation. Some 20-25 participants held signs along Main Street and stood silently in prayer while hundreds of passing motorists observed. After last year's brutally cold, damp, and windy weather, most participants arrived well prepared to do battle against Mother Nature, if necessary. The weather, however, turned out to be very pleasant during the hour of silence, the peace broken only by an occasional toot or faint but audible cheer of approval. One participant later commented he had felt as if he had been in the presence of angels. Others indicated they had experienced a deep sense of abiding peace.

Those who participate in Life Chain believe strongly in the power of prayer and public witness!

Following the Life Chain, participants and other community members gathered silently for a prayer service at the foot of a monument - dedicated to aborted children - located on the edge of a small cemetery. One faithful attendee, unable to get out of her car due to very severe physical limitations, parked her car right alongside the gathering and joined in with her window rolled down. During the prayer service, Father Claude Gendreau, pastor of the local St. Louis Parish, gave a short homily on our Christian duty to do all we can to end the scourge of abortion in our society. He urged us to promote a culture of life to counter the evils of abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and the growing threat of human embryonic cloning.

At the conclusion of the service, prayers were requested on behalf of a former resident and father of the Reverend Duane Stiles, Assembly of God pastor. Absent due to his father's serious illness, Reverend Stiles was commended by Father Gendreau for his past participation as officiator and overall dedication to the pro-life cause. It goes without saying that both Father Gendreau and Reverend Stiles deserve our applause. *(Joel Martin)*

BABY PAGE



Louis Paul Karol
Born March 25, 2002

Missed out on this issue? *Like to get in on the next one?* Send a good, clear photo of your child (grandchild, niece, nephew (**born since January 1, 2002**. Donation for photo entries: **$2.50 each (one photo per child)**. Please indicate whether or not you would like the photo returned.

"HANDS AROUND THE CAPITOL"

Mark your calendars TODAY to attend!

Join Us! Be a Witness!

When & Where:

January 18, 2003
St. Mary's Gymnasium, Augusta

11:00 AM

Send-off program with prayer, remarks, and refreshments at St. Mary's School Gymnasium (corner of Sewall St. and Western Ave. in Augusta).

12:00 Noon

"Hands Around The Capitol" at the state Capitol building as a public witness.

Bring a handbell to ring out freedom for the unborn!

CHART A NEW COURSE

Colleen Parro of the Republican National Coalition for Life shared the following item via email on 10/20/02: "Please circulate this widely. It is the truth. SIECUS/Planned Parenthood-style sex education and ready access to contraceptive drugs and devices has resulted in an epidemic of sexually transmitted disease, not to mention out-of-wedlock pregnancies among American young people. Some of these diseases are incurable. Will your son or daughter marry someone who is infected? This must stop! Sexual abstinence until marriage is the only way to protect the health and well-being of our children."

Titanic Teens

From Oct. 18, 2002 Washington Times

"Public health officials and doctors have been fighting teen pregnancy for decades now.

"I myself worked for nearly a decade prescribing birth control to teens. I believed that oral contraception was the most powerful weapon I had to help teens avoid life-altering dilemmas. But I realize now that what we've been doing has been akin to rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic. We now face a gargantuan consequence of that sexual freedom: At the same time teen pregnancies declined, the STD [sexually transmitted diseases] epidemic shot through the roof. The sexual freedom that birth control allows teens has done a good deal to promote the rise in disease.

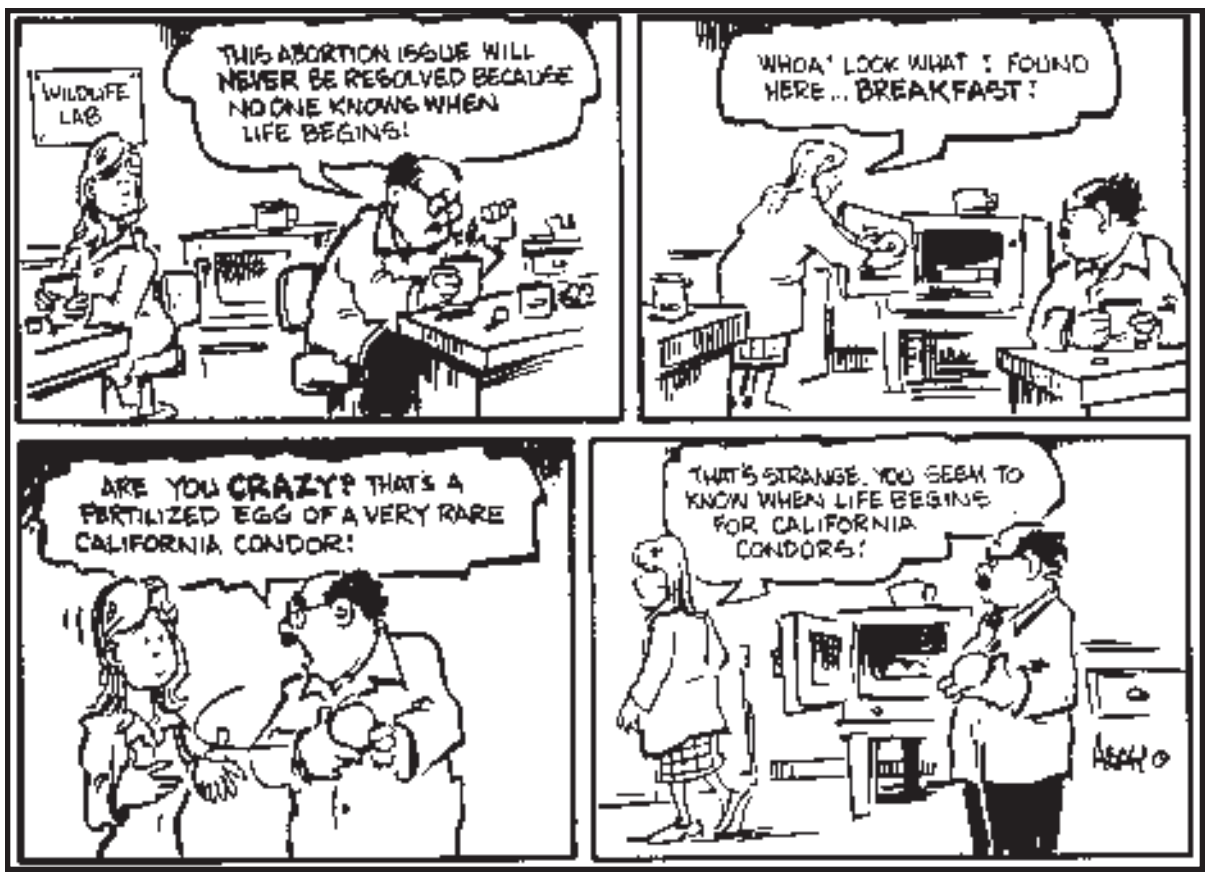
"Condoms are no answer either. Condoms do little to prevent many viral infections spread by skin-to-skin contact,especially HPV and herpes." (Dr. Meg Meeker, from her new book, *Epidemic: How Teen Sex Is Killing Our Kids*).

"Fetal Hand Grasp" Photo Causes Photographer's Pro-Life Conversion

Do you remember the famous picture of baby Samuel's hand reaching out from the uterus of his mother at 21-weeks gestation during fetal surgery? The photograph by veteran photo-journalist Michael Clancy appeared in *USA Today* during the summer of 2000. We used the photo, for which we were required to pay a substantial fee, in the *RNC/Life Report* that was distributed to the Delegates attending the 2000 Republican National Convention. Now, Mr. Clancy, who has become a pro-life activist, has offered his photo free of charge to pro-life groups because little Samuel's hand not only reached out to grasp the finger of his surgeon -- it grasped Michael Clancy's heart.

In his Mission Statement, Michael Clancy says he wants to "print the picture of Samuel on posters for donations to Crisis Pregnancy Centers, and billboards are next on the agenda." "If you think you could help in putting the picture of Samuel on billboards, preferably next to high schools and abortion clinics, please e-mail me your suggestions," writes Clancy. To read about Michael Clancy and little Samuel, you may visit his web site at: http://www.michaelclancy.com.

From Republican National Coalition for Life ***FaxNotes****, Nov. 1, 2002. Contact Colleen Parro: rnclife@swbell.net.*



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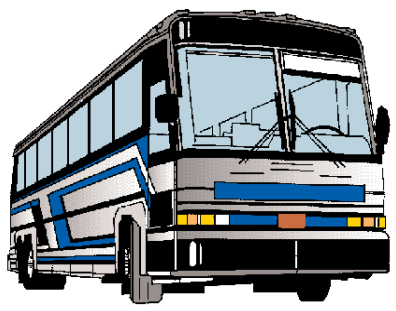

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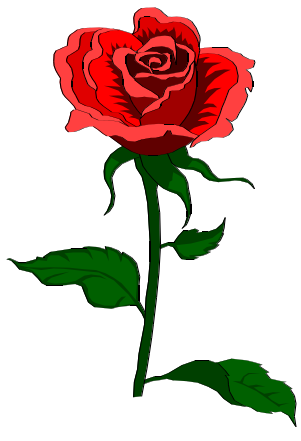

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Prizes Awarded to Essay Contest Winners

Two of the winning essay writers, Kara Hartman (left) and Ashlee Page (right) with Michelle Truman. (Photo of winner Gregory Patterson not available.)

In preparation for this year's annual Convention, Maine Right to Life invited high school students across the State of Maine to participate in an essay contest. Students were asked to write 300-500 words about why they believed sexual abstinence until marriage was the wisest health choice for youth.

Prizes were awarded at the Convention on October 19th to the following: 1st Place ($100) - **Gregory Patterson** of Brewer; 2nd Place ($50) - **Ashlee Page** of Hermon; 3rd Place ($25) - **Kara Hartman** of Pittsfield. We are pleased to print their winning essays in this issue of *MRLC News* [see below].

We also wish to recognize two other students who submitted contest entries and who deserve honorable mention: **Christopher Bean** of Bangor and **Christine Zikowitz** of Readfield. Their essays will be printed in our next issue.

Our sincere thanks to all who took the time to share their thoughts with us!

Is It Extreme?

by Gregory Patterson

Sex for teenagers is about pleasure and fun. No! It is about disease and death. Yet the message by some in America is still safe-sex, although this message is destroying communities. Some people are even saying that using a condom will save you from AIDS.

But there is a 20% failure among teenagers using condoms to prevent pregnancy. Unfortunately, this safe-sex message gives people a false sense of security. There are condom babies, and I wonder how many people still get AIDS, and they used a condom. People are risking their lives on a piece of plastic.

The safe-sex message is also telling people they are stupid. The message is telling people you do not have the discipline to say no to unhealthy sex, so we might as well give you condoms.

Today, teenagers are in more peril because of this safe-sex message. AIDS percentages are going up among teenagers. But AIDS isn't the only problem. Twenty years ago there were four types of STDs among teenagers. Now there are over thirty. Some STDs have no cure, and some lead to infertility. And yet another concern is the suicide rate. Non-virgins are six times more likely to commit suicide. What teens are looking for is love, acceptance, and security.

Amid this confusion surrounding teenage sexuality, the simplicity of one group's message is striking - sex outside marriage is wrong. Abstinence is true sexual freedom. You don't have to worry about getting pregnant, getting an STD, or dying of AIDS. Not to mention dealing with the emotional effects sex has when a relationship breaks up. If you can say, "No!" to drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes, why can't you say no to sex?

The abstinence message is morally correct and has been effective in cities like San Marcos and San Diego, California. I realize opponents call this approach naïve, but the parents I know are absolutely in favor of abstinence. Other critics say abstinence-only programs impose religious values on teenagers. But what is wrong with words like goodness and decency? Does it make sense just to criticize a program simply because it talks about values? What matters is - is the program working?

Sex education has to be more than teaching young people how sperm meets egg, tossing out loads of condoms, and hoping for the best. Abstinence says that it is all right to be a virgin, and you can act with dignity and grace.

Too Soon

by Ashlee Page

The middle-schooler in front of me fiddled with her hair and giggled. She was not talking to me about school, sports, or music, but she was talking to me about her sex life. Finally, I asked her why she had done it. She thought she was ready and "because everyone else was doing it."

But my heart was broken when she said she wished she had waited. She just did it to make her boyfriend happy. Then she broke up with him, and he told everyone she was a whore.

So how can kids resist the sexual pressure to postpone sex until marriage? Just providing kids with information on sexuality and birth control is not enough for today's young people. The abstinence idea is working, but the idea is facing a difficult battle. The percentages for girls and boys who have had intercourse are still quite high.

Yet the outcome of early sex is devastating. One in four, or three million, sexually active teens contract a sexually transmitted disease (STD) each year. The earlier children begin their sexual lives the greater the chance that they will become pregnant or infected with an STD such as herpes, chlamydia, genital warts, or HIV. Many teenagers who are infected with an STD do not recognize it or have symptoms of an STD, but they increase the chance of complications such as infertility, cervical cancer, and ectopic pregnancy.

Additionally, early childbearing can lock a young woman into a cycle of poverty and public assistance. Probably, she will be far less likely to complete high school, and she will probably get a lower paying job. The government each year spends billions of dollars on school, health, and welfare services for teenage mothers.

But early sexual involvement does not have to be inevitable. Parental influence on abstinence is important, and parents are more powerful than they know. Parent-child communication is an under-utilized resource that has a large potential for improving a situation.

Parents need to be approachable. Parents need to talk at an early age to their children about love, affection, and responsibility. Too many parents have values, but they do not communicate their values to their children. So adolescents are left to figure things out for themselves.

Parents need to say to kids, "I don't want you to have sex. You're too young. You're not emotionally ready for it."

This direct approach by parents is the basis of abstinence sex education. A disturbing truth is that even though sex education is mandated in some schools, unwed teen pregnancies keep soaring. Incredibly, many studies confirm that even when teens are given pregnancy and contraceptive education, their rate of pregnancy and unprotected sex remains virtually unchanged. And why? Knowledge is not sufficient to change behavior.

Parents are the overlooked resource. After hours in the classroom, learning about self-control can never take the place of a child's years of learning attitudes at home. Values are not taught by specialists. They are learned in the course of the kids' lives daily from those who influence them the most - their parents.

The Safest Sex of All

by Kara Hartman

Thank you, star athlete, for handling your shocking announcement that you have HIV virus. I admire your handling of this shocking announcement with the same poise, courage, and spirit that has pushed you to the peak of your profession. Your desire to turn personal tragedy into good for others is inspiring. But your message that "safe sex is the way to go" does not say enough.

The real issue is how the athlete contracted the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that leads to AIDS. Evidently, the star athlete never lacked for female companionship. In other words, he was sexually promiscuous.

How this star athlete became infected is important, not to condemn the man, but for the sake of educating others. AIDS is spread by behavior.

The messages of "safe sex" by using a condom are not accurate. The truth is condoms don't work all the time. They fail as much as ten percent of the time, and studies suggest that they are even less effective with infection from sexually transmitted diseases. Defects, breakage, and improper use all render condoms less than complete protection.

But what does work - all the time - is abstinence. One would expect that this preventive measure would be welcomed in the fight against this fatal disease. But this measure is still scoffed at by many.

Critics of abstinence label it as a naïve, unrealistic, dangerous approach to AIDS education. But the real danger lies in offering an incomplete solution (condoms) while excluding a promising one (abstinence) to a killer disease. There are even studies that suggest that among teenagers, easy availability of contraceptives actually increases sexual activity.

One health expert, former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, who watched the rise of AIDS during his years as a Presidential advisor, stated that the best way to prevent AIDS is to abstain from sex until adulthood and to restrict sexual activity to a faithful, monogamous relationship.

Star athletes' stories and the stories of common people highlight the need for the understanding of AIDS and compassion for its victims. But it also exposes sexual promiscuity for what it is - the major contributor to the spread of AIDS as well as venereal disease and undesired pregnancies. Promiscuity does not need to be accepted simply as a part of society. Although changing people's behaviors can be difficult, it can be done if people are willing to speak and hear the whole story about promiscuity and abstinence.

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IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Maine Teenagers Agree with the Message of Character Counts

Interview by Liza Pajak

Recently, I spoke with three high school sophomores to get their perspective on the abstinence movement. All three are active in sports and clubs in their school. All are 15 years of age. Emily is from a small mid-coast town. Dan lives in a prosperous suburban town, and Katie is from Maine's largest city, Portland.

Interviewer (**LP**): "In general, how do teenagers in your school feel about sexual involvement vs. abstinence?"

Emily: "Well, it's mixed, but most kids say that they'll wait until after high school, because it's a big deal. To us, it's a big ordeal and we don't want to deal with it right now."

Katie: "It depends on the person. A lot of kids think it's expected, that it's the normal thing to do if you're going steady with someone for awhile. For most kids, morals don't enter into it. They think if they're in love, then it's OK."

Emily: "I will probably wait until I get married. I definitely think that if you had sex, then you don't have as much self-esteem. I feel good about myself, so I don't really care about that. Some girls need to be with a boyfriend, with their arms around them all the time. I think if you can stand alone you're pretty well off.

"When girls do stuff like that they're trying to please the popular guys. Some girls think they have to. And there's a certain type of guy who thinks he has to be a big shot and always needs to have a girl, someone to fool around with, not someone to have a conversation with. To them, it doesn't really matter who the girl is. You hear guys talking about that all the time. Most sane people don't go out with guys like that."

Katie: "Guys have a different perspective. They think anything they do is OK. Their friends all commend them for it. With girls there's a lot more of a stigma. It makes a big difference in how a guy thinks about a girl. Guys don't want a bad reputation either. They know that if they become known as the kind of guy who will put pressure on a girl, then nobody will want to go out with them."

Dan: "I think guys act differently in front of their friends. They tend to exaggerate."

Katie: "Girls don't talk about it. They aren't proud of it."

Emily: "I do have a boyfriend. For four months. He's a senior. We don't want to do anything like that right now. He doesn't pressure me. He's a pretty regular guy."

Katie: "You're lucky if you find a guy who doesn't need to do that. His friends respect him for who he is. He's too good for that. There's no rush. A guy who really cares for you will want the best for you. And if things don't work out, you'll have no regrets. I know a girl who changed her mind after a bad experience. Having sex made her want to avoid it as much as possible from now on. She was devastated. She thought they were in love, and then he broke up with her. She thought she would find comfort. It made her feel wanted, but it's more complicated than that. She gained a really bad reputation because of it."

LP: "Do you think there's any way to help girls avoid those mistakes?"

Emily: "If you had a friend who was like that, you should talk to her and tell her she's too good for that, and she shouldn't. She'll either listen or she won't. But eventually she will."

LP: "What other troubles have you seen it cause?"

Dan: "Kids who are involved with drugs or drinking are more likely to engage in sex. They're a lot more laid back about things. They're less motivated for good grades. There's definitely a strong correlation there."

LP: "How about other dangers, like STD's?"

Katie: "Nobody ever sees that. Nobody talks about it. It's not even an issue. Pregnancy is a much bigger fear. They are definitely more scared about that. They think, if we're this young, and we're with someone who's never had sex before, then it's not even an issue. And very few think it's morally wrong."

Dan: "The media has a huge effect on expectations. Movies that are geared to teens are all about sex."

Katie: "It definitely has a lot to do with the media, and peer pressure."

Dan: "About a third of the kids fall for it."

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SEX SCANDAL HITS TEXAS

Tax-Supported Institutions Implicated in Cover-up - Undercover Tapes Being Released to Texas Media

During a recent nationwide undercover sting operation, Texas family planning clinics were caught on tape covering up what they believed was the statutory rape of a 13-year-old girl. Life Dynamics Incorporated of Denton, Texas recorded over 800 calls made to Planned Parenthood and National Abortion Federation facilities across America, including 67 in Texas. The female caller portrayed a13-year-old girl who was pregnant by an adult and wanted an abortion in order to hide the illegal sexual relationship from her parents and the authorities.

On the tapes, many of the clinic workers are heard telling the caller that this situation was unlawful and that they were legally mandated to report it to the state. However, even after acknowledging this, over 91 percent of the 800 facilities contacted agreed to illegally conceal it. When completed, the investigation documented a massive nationwide cover-up of child sexual abuse, with Texas results being virtually identical to the rest of the country. Texas representatives of these organizations--often operating on tax dollars--were routinely willing to instruct an underage sexual assault victim to:

-- lie about or conceal her age or the age of the man who impregnated her;
-- participate in illegal activity in order to circumvent the state's parental notification law;
-- use a fictitious name, phone number or address when she came to the facility;
-- keep the situation hidden by altering what she would say when she came to the facility;
-- be more careful about what information she gave out and to whom.

"The tapes from our investigation clearly prove that these people are running a pedophile protection racket," said Life Dynamics President, Mark Crutcher. "Texas family planning clinics are little more than corporate accomplices for sexual predators who target children." Calling the results of the survey sickening, Crutcher also noted that this cover-up is part of an epidemic of older men sexually preying on underage girls. "The most reliable current data shows that among girls 15 or younger who get pregnant, between 60 and 80 percent are impregnated by adults, and now we know who's making big money off the cover-up."

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RELIGIOUS OUTREACH

Ending Abortion, Not Just Fighting It

Father Frank Pavone, Priests For Life

A friend recently asked me why I speak so often about "ending" abortion as opposed to just "fighting" it. There are a few reasons.

We have no other choice. Our nation, and civilized society as such, cannot continue to exist for very long on a basis that allows the destruction of little babies. Permission of the choice to kill the innocent does not provide a stable foundation for a society, because it removes the basis by which not only the unborn but everyone else in that society enjoys the protection of their lives. If a government can decide that one group of human beings are not persons, it can decide the same for other groups as well. If freedom of belief justifies violence against a baby, it justifies violence against anyone. We therefore have to bring abortion to an end. The abortion battle is not a matter of "Pro-life wins or pro-choice wins," but rather of "Pro-life wins or nobody wins."

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The Gospel requires it. The demands of the Gospel are high. The responsibilities both of justice and of charity rest not only upon individuals but upon entire societies. We are not permitted to exclude anyone from our love. To fail to secure the basic rights of the unborn is to fail to love them. We cannot "settle" for less.

It is possible. I speak about "ending" abortion because it is a goal we can achieve. Yes, abortion has always been around. So have other sins. But we live today in a culture of abortion, which enshrines it in law, celebrates it as a right, and resorts to it with an alarming frequency that surpasses every other act of violence. That is something that can be turned around. A culture can be created in which abortion is not only illegal, but unthinkable. We can bring society to the point where, both in theory and practice, it regards abortion as it regards slavery today.

We can end abortion because the Lord has promised that "the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church." (Matt. 16:18) When we hear these words, we usually think, "The Church will survive all the attacks launched against her," and certainly that is true. But in a battle, a gate does not run out into the battlefield to attack the enemy. Rather, the gate stands still and defends the city against the enemy attacking it! When the Lord says the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church, He means that the Church is taking the initiative and storming the gates! Those gates of hell cannot withstand the power of heaven; gates of sin melt in the presence of saving grace; gates of death fall in the presence of eternal Life; gates of falsehood collapse in the presence of living Truth; gates of violence fall in the presence of Divine Love.

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On January 22, 2002, The Shepherd's Godparent Home was officially "adopted" by Bangor Baptist Church, and is now a boarding school of Bangor Christian Schools. The clients will be educated within the Home from an accredited high school program through Bangor Christian. The Home is expected to be an asset to the Maine Community, offering a positive choice to girls in unplanned pregnancy and the support they need to continue with their academics without sacrificing their high school education.

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"THE POWER OF ABSTINENCE" WELL RECEIVED

We thank all who took a few moments to give us feedback about this year's convention by completing the pink survey sheet in their convention packets. Asked to rank presentations on a scale of 1 to 10 (with 10 being "most helpful"), those who responded circled a large number of 10's! Individual comments appear below:

Game Plan: Part I - "Goals & Dreams" - Scott Phelps

"Role of drugs/alcohol - emphasis greater - society limits and condemns drugs/alcohol and advertising, why not sex which is also dangerous?"

"Excellent."

"Just plain excellent!"

"Outstanding presentation."

"Fantastic."

"Start working to get into church youth group - program will work."

"The idea of presenting the truth (facts) and not opinion makes a lot of sense and is very persuasive."

Comprehensive Sex Ed vs. Abstinence Ed: An Experience at Richmond High School - Meg Yates

"Informative, to be sure."

"Glad she was asked to be in Richmond."

"Very good."

"Encouraging."

"Good to have daughter's input."

Maine Vitae TV Ad - Carl Maddaleni

"Superlative."

"Encouraging."

"TV ad seems almost too subtle RE: pro-life -- but they say it's successful."

"I missed it."

"This year's proposed 30-second spot doesn't seem to have quite the impact of previous ones."

"It was encouraging to learn the amount of financial resources that has been raised for this program. Just hope the stock market will rebound soon so that the 'big' generous donors will be around once again."

Game Plan: Part II - "Avoiding the Penalties" - Scott Phelps

"Excellent."

"Again, outstanding! And he gives us the tools to promote abstinence."

"We all need to hear this about the penalties or consequences of our decisions."

Video: "Sex, Love & Relationships" - Pam Stenzel

"Excellent for church-based."

"Super! Thanks for including her in the convention program."

"Excellent."

"The speaker talks plainly; I wonder if her blunt statements shouldn't be modified by hopeful alternatives to the desperate situations she describes."

"Dynamite."

"Could have watched more."

Character Counts in Maine: Where Do We Go From Here? - Mary Schiavoni

"Do not read - show overhead and talk."

"Great, Mary!"

"Scott Phelps said that maybe we could work through you to order *Game Plan*, so that we could get a cheaper price for our church teen training."

"Had to leave early."

"Mary should have elaborated more about why we have this education - i.e. Learning Results, etc."

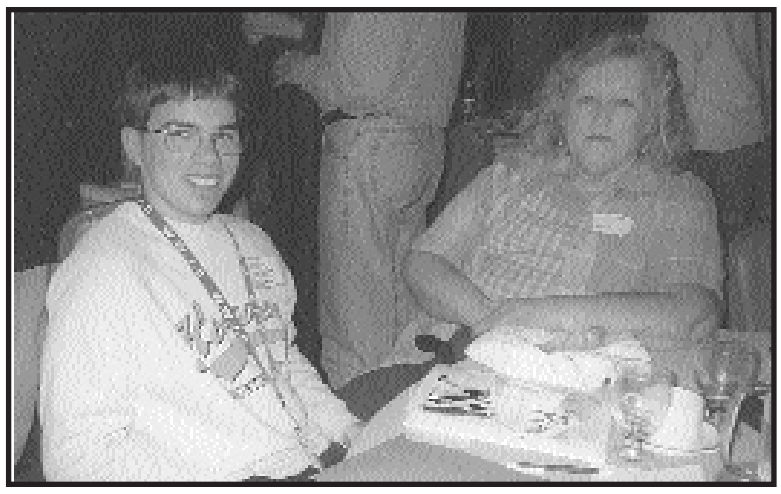
Information Packet/Convention Booklet/Display Tables

"There appears to be more than I can absorb in one sitting, obviously, but will attempt to sort it all out in the coming days."

"Thank you."

"Men do not differ much
about what things they will call evils;
they differ enormously
about what evils they will call excusable."

- G.K.Chesterton



Chris Olsson, a joyful young man with multiple handicaps and a beautiful smile, pictured here with his adopted Mom, Carol Olsson. Carol shared a wonderful and touching story about how Chris was almost aborted, but instead became a member of the Olsson family.

Survey results also indicated that while most thought the date and time of the convention to be convenient, 78% of those who responded said the length was just right, 15% thought it too long, and 6% gave no response. Seventy-two percent of those who responded were members of MRLC, 22% were guests, and 6% gave no response.

How did people learn of the Convention?

46%	*MRLC News*
29%	Mailing
14%	Word of mouth
11%	Church group

Participants gave their suggestions for future conventions...

"Voting - the big picture"

"More abstinence ed"

"Fr. Frank Pavone or another priest from Priests For Life"

"Mark Crutcher of Life Dynamics"

"The Big Picture and voting for the lesser of two evils"

"Continue with abstinence program (It's a big key!)"

"Presentation on PP (Planned Parenthood)"

"Priests For Life"

"Bring back STOPP (Stop Planned Parenthood)"

"Training parents to meet legislators, school boards"

"The disturbing truth of abortion"

"Life Dynamics (Mark Crutcher)"

...and a wide range of additional comments!

"Great job, MRTL!"

"Thanks so much."

"Right on track. Superb! Well done!"

"More questions from audience."

"This was all very positive. However, we need to recognize our obstacles that the legislators and, to some extent, the hierarchy of the Catholic Church have tuned us out. Dialogue does not seem to be effective with these groups. How do we touch them? Perhaps more interaction and dialogue between audience and speakers would be helpful."

"A fine program; informative in all ways."

"A long way to go for most Mainers!"

"Well prepared programs."

"Why hasn't *Roe v. Wade* been taken out of legislation, as Wade is deceased and Roe converted to pro-life?"

"Luncheon was also excellent! Food was great and beautifully presented. Wait-staff did a wonderful job!"

"I think this was a very expensive convention (expensive facility and meal). I would suggest having a less formal setting - maybe closer to Augusta (central Maine) - that would draw more people, more teens, less expensive, less formal/more inviting."

"Good setting; good luncheon."

"Thank you so much for hosting this event. As a state under the thumb of PPNNE, I have fought this battle for 6 years. They are evil! We need to involve all six New England states and work together. Your program was a great start."

"Thank you for all your hard work!"

"Excellent info and materials. I am a former Family Planning outreach worker from the Seventies. The presentations and information given was very informative. I needed to be modernized."

"Great convention."

MRLC Salutes the Knights

Officers attending the 1997 dedication (left to right): Grand Knight William Green, Council Chaplain Rev. Coleman P. O'Toole, District Deputy John M. Brown, State Deputy Roger Melancon, Field Agent Kent White, and State Treasurer Walter Golojuch. Also in attendance were members of Westbrook Assembly #356 and Fr. Sebastian Rasle Assembly #337 Portland.

PORTLAND - The dedication of the Monument to the Unborn was made by Father Coleman P. O'Toole on November 2, 1997, at St. Patrick's Church on Congress Street.

This monument came about by the hard work of members and their spouses of **Knights of Columbus Council #101**. The monument is visible to vehicle traffic on one of the busiest streets in Portland. It makes a statement to members of the parish and to the public that abortion is real and is still taking place every day in Portland. We must not forget the innocent victims. They must be given the "Choice to Live" the same as you and I had.

Photo and information provided by John M. Brown

****** ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:*** We would like to feature ***your*** Council in *MRLC News!* If you sponsored a Memorial to the Unborn in your part of the state, send us a **clear** photo and a short write-up with all the pertinent information. (Please specify if you wish the photo to be returned.) Thank you!

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"30 years of Abortion and Its Impact on Women"

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Speakers include:
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January 2003 will mark 30 years since abortion was legalized in all 50 states. Since then, more than 40 million abortions have been performed in America. Women now in their 60s and 70s had abortions in the first years after legalization. Many young women now undergoing abortion have grown up in a culture of "choice" and have never known a time when abortion was not available.

Deep disagreement over abortion has never subsided in intensity. Women face the issue in college, in their health care plans, in the workplace. Three decades is a significant period from which to assess the myriad ways in which abortion has affected women, their relationships, their health, their lives, their future.

The symposium will provide a unique opportunity to examine the consequences of three decades of abortion on demand. It will bring together some of the most qualified scholars, analysts, and speakers to assess the experience of the last 30 years and to suggest change for future possibilities.

The cost for the one-day event is $50, which includes lunch and refreshments. For a brochure and more information, contact Patricia DeGrinney at 883-5083; email <JosephD663@aol.com>.

Students interested in a scholarship are advised to register on-line, if possible, as scholarships are limited. Contact Americans United for Life (AUL):

<http://www.unitedforlife.org/30_year_symposia/symposia.htm> or <*information@unitedforlife.org*>

Other co-sponsors for this event include ***Feminists for Life of America***, ***Boston College Law School***, and the ***Women's Fund of Americans United for Life***.

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HELPING THE HURTING WOMEN OF MAINE

By Senator Carolyn Gilman, District 29

As a first term Senator this year, I was privileged to sponsor and manage one of the most important bills to come before the Maine legislature in years, namely, An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws, LD 798.

A full comparison of the current informed consent law and the legislation I sponsored appears in the yellow insert in this newspaper.

Maine women deserve better when it comes to making an abortion decision.

LD 798 would have assured that pregnant women considering abortion be given full, unbiased information of the risks and consequences of abortion, *in writing,* in a Bureau of Health brochure to be published, with time to reflect on this grave decision.

Furthermore, in another brochure, these pregnant women would learn the facts of the fetal development of their preborn child, which would have a bearing on their decision. Lastly, they would be told of alternatives to abortion, such as adoption, and supplied with the names of public and private agencies ready and willing to help. And then there would have been a 24-hour waiting period for reflection.

I wanted the legislature of the State of Maine to make sure that women would be treated fairly when making a decision with such serious consequences.

The extent of those consequences became very apparent when eight women courageously appeared before the Joint Judiciary Committee on April 14, 2003 and revealed the hurt and remorse which they have lived with for years. They told of having abortions, which they deeply regret, without the opportunity to have full information concerning the risks of abortion and without time to think before making their decision.

Many good people rallied in support of the bill and worked hard for its passage, including many hurting post-abortive women.

But, it was not to be during this session. While 20 other states have passed comprehensive Informed Consent For Abortion legislation -- three states this year alone (Minnesota, West Virginia, and Texas) -- Maine's legislature failed the women of *this* state. They rejected this sensible, reasonable attempt to respect Maine women.

We did gain exposure this time, which has not happened in the past. People *are* beginning to listen. Even though the members of the Senate defeated LD 798, my seatmate in the Senate chambers told me that members from the side voting against the bill were hanging on every word during the debate.

We presented the facts, truthfully and clearly. And when the truth is presented, those opposing the truth tend to become very uncomfortable. Many of us have witnessed this discomfort first hand.

Because this bill did not pass, I have been in touch with Georgette Forney of Pennsylvania, the national chairwoman of *Silent No More,* a media strategy that will send speakers to Maine to help us embark on a campaign of awareness of the suffering of post-abortive women in Maine. The citizens of Maine will be able to learn first hand what is going on with the abortion business and how the women of Maine are suffering.

There are many groups already on the front lines, rallying people to look toward 2005 and get Informed Consent passed in the Maine legislature. I saw many positive things happening at the state level. Many members of both the Senate and the House supported this bill. Staff members who are pro-life encouraged and supported me daily.

Dear reader, please get involved. Call, write, or email Maine Right to Life for information about how you can become active. We are starting right now for the 2005 legislative session. Working and praying together, we can make this desperately needed legislation a reality for Maine.

LEGISLATURE CHALLENGES MAINE PRO-LIFERS

To interested observers sitting in the Senate and House galleries in Augusta on 5/22/03, it became abundantly clear that there is hope for passage, ultimately, of a desperately needed women's right to know law in Maine. That became evident when the vote of the legislature showed that a 5-vote switch in the Senate (out of 35) and 17 votes in the House (out of 151) would have passed An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws, LD 798.

"We can win this in 2005," declared an upbeat Senator Carolyn Gilman of Westbrook, prime sponsor and manager of the defeated bill which would have guaranteed that women seeking abortion receive full knowledge of the risks and consequences of abortion and 24 hours to reflect on this grave decision. Twenty states have passed comprehensive informed consent laws, three this year.

Maine Right to Life worked with Senator Gilman preparing information flyers that were distributed to all members of the legislature prior to the vote. Opponents of the legislation, lobbying against the bill, passed out misleading arguments which contended that the woefully inadequate current Maine law was a "model" for the nation. This is simply not true.

A comparison of the current law and the proposed amendment demonstrates the stark difference between the old and the new. An objective reading of the contrasting provisions leaves no doubt of the superiority of Senator Gilman's amendment. *[See yellow insert. - Ed.]*

The hurting women of Maine who have had abortions, which they now deeply regret, are testimony to the urgent need for this fair legislation.

A Prayer of the Unborn

Eternal Father, this blessed day
I lift my voice so still.
For though I cannot speak a word,
If any would hear, You will.

The silent cries of all unborn
Are heard not by the ear.
But Lord, they fall upon the heart
Of those who care to hear.

Tell all who would hear I wish to have
My chance at Your love-gift - life.
I wish to know its peace and joy
And yes, its grief and strife.

For whatere betides, both good and bad
I know You are always there.
Inside the womb I feel Your touch
Which says, "I care...I care."

Tell all who would hear I wish to grow,
To run, to laugh, to play.
Tell them I wish to worship You,
To sing, to dance, to pray.

Tell them I wish to play my part
In helping my fellow men.
Tell them I wish to be used by You
To build, and not to condemn.

Tell them I ask not for great wealth
Or things they cannot give.
I only pray, oh great "I Am!"
I have the right to live.

And tell them I wish to share the love
That You so freely gave,
When You sent Your own sweet child
For all of us to save.

And so I ask you, Father,
As this my prayer I end.
Bless all Your precious children.
Amen, my God, Amen!

EDITORIAL

Informed Consent Law

DEFEAT MEANS ULTIMATE VICTORY

The pattern of turning legislative defeat into victory has been repeated in states across the country for women's right to know laws. The primary ingredient of success is known: *get the people involved in the process!*

When the Maine House and Senate defeated Senator Gilman's bill, An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws (LD 798) on May 22, 2003, they were handing us our marching orders. *Get to work now*, they were saying, *and win next time.*

This cause is of paramount importance. Abortion is bad to begin with. It destroys a new human life. But to add to that evil the devastation wrought on unsuspecting women by abortion's physical and psychological consequences -- some of them lifelong -- is to *increase* the havoc.

Tell women seeking abortion the *whole* truth as a matter of fair public policy and give them a chance to choose a different course, better for them and better for the baby.

But to get this vital legislation passed, many segments of society need to learn the truth about Maine's unfair treatment of women seeking abortion.

That's where **you** come in. Your intelligent hard work and cooperation with others can make the difference between victory and defeat.

You will be hearing more about working to pass this legislation in Maine in 2005. Get involved! Call MRLC at **622-3837** or email **life4me@gwi.net**.

TEEN CORNER

News from St. Charles Borromeo Life Teen Youth Group

Baby Beauty Contest A Success!

On Saturday, April 5, 2003 over two hundred people packed Saint Charles' Church Hall in Brunswick to watch as parents from the Brunswick area shared the gift of their children with the community by dressing them up, showing them off, and explaining how precious their children are to them. The "Beautiful Baby Pageant" consisted of parents' presentations, raffle drawings, and baby-related anecdotes.

This was the first in a series of fundraisers that the St. Charles' Life Teen Youth Group will be holding to support the Door to Life crisis pregnancy center in Brunswick. The fundraisers will be held over the nine-month period stretching from the Feast of the Annunciation (March 25th) to Christmas -- the length of Jesus' time in the womb -- and will help Door to Life acquire the financial backing needed to effectively assist pregnant women.

Proud parents with their beautiful babies in the "0 - 6 months" category. Contestants ranged in age from 1 week to 3 years old.

"I had no clue that the turnout would be so tremendous," reported Joshua Houde, advertising coordinator for the event. "I just thank God that so many people responded to this opportunity to help Door to Life and foster an awareness that children are a precious gift from God."

Houde continued, "On the first day of registration, following announcements after seven Masses about the event, the only people to sign up were our youth leaders with their three kids, which wasn't very encouraging." Over the next couple of weeks, however, registrants started pouring in, and by the night of the contest, thirty children were registered! "It's amazing how God works," Houde commented.

Fundraising was accomplished by charging a minimal registration fee, taking donations at the door, and selling raffle tickets for prizes donated by area businesses. Sarah Houde, prize coordinator for the contest, remarked, "I was amazed at the overwhelming response generated by the thirteen local businesses who donated prizes for the event. It was very positive---some even donated above and beyond what we requested."

In fact, a total of thirteen businesses donated prizes for the raffle, including Brunswick Wal-Mart, Clay Play, Cook's Lobster House, Fat Boy Drive In, Flowers by Knowles, Frosty's Donuts, Grazianos Restaurant and Catering in Lisbon, The Great Impasta, Kennebec Tavern and Marina, The Picture People, Pierce Studio, Scarlet Begonias, and Village Candle.

The event was undoubtedly a success, both in its evangelistic component concerning the value of children and in its fundraising component. Andrea Segovia, director of the event, commented, "It was so awesome to see the support the parents gave us. It was definitely a success."

The grand total raised for Door to Life was a tremendous $575!

Members of the St. Charles Borromeo Life Teen Youth Group and friends.

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HOUSE AND SENATE ROLL CALL VOTE ON LD 798, AN ACT TO AMEND MAINE'S ABORTION CONSENT LAWS

Interpretation of Roll Call votes: The motion before the legislature was "Ought Not To Pass," so an **"N"** after your Senator's or Representative's name indicates that he/she voted in **favor** of this pro-life bill.

Please Note:

YES vote — opposes this pro-life legislation and defeats the bill.

NO vote — supports this pro-life legislation

Consider making a follow-up call to your Senator and Rep to thank them if they voted for the bill, or to express dissatisfaction if they voted against the bill.

Roll Call #88 for Senate LD 798 (SP 277)

Date: May 22, 2003
Motion: To accept Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report
Number of Yeas Required: 18 (simple majority)
Outcome: PREVAILS
Yeas (Y): 21
Nays (N): 13
Absent (X): 1
Excused (E): 0

Member	Party	Vote
BENNETT of Oxford	R	Y
BLAIS of Kennebec	R	N
BRENNAN of Cumberland	D	Y
BROMLEY of Cumberland	D	Y
BRYANT of Oxford	D	Y
CARPENTER of York	R	Y
CATHCART of Penobscot	D	Y
DAGGETT of Kennebec	D	Y
DAMON of Hancock	D	Y
DAVIS of Piscataquis	R	N
DOUGLASS of Androscoggin	D	Y
EDMONDS of Cumberland	D	Y
GAGNON of Kennebec	D	Y
GILMAN of Cumberland	R	N
HALL of Lincoln	D	Y
HATCH of Somerset	D	Y
KNEELAND of Aroostook	R	N
LaFOUNTAIN of York	D	Y
LEMONT of York	R	X
MARTIN of Aroostook	D	N
MAYO of Sagadahoc	R	Y
MITCHELL of Penobscot	R	Y
NASS of York	R	N
PENDLETON of Cumberland	D	Y
ROTUNDO of Androscoggin	D	Y
SAVAGE of Knox	R	N
SAWYER of Penobscot	R	N
SHOREY of Washington	R	N
STANLEY of Penobscot	D	N
STRIMLING of Cumberland	D	Y
TREAT of Kennebec	D	Y
TURNER of Cumberland	R	Y
WESTON of Waldo	R	N
WOODCOCK of Franklin	R	N
YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot	R	N

Roll Call #159 for House LD 798 (SP 277)

Date: May 22, 2003
Motion: To accept Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report
Number of Yeas Required:71 (simple majority)
Outcome: PREVAILS
Yeas (Y): 86 **"Y" opposes pro-life bill**
Nays (N): 54 **"N" supports pro-life bill**
Absent (X): 11
Excused (E): 0

Member	Party	Vote
ADAMS of Portland	D	Y
ANDREWS of York	R	N
ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft	R	N
ASH of Belfast	D	X
AUSTIN of Gray	R	N
BARSTOW of Gorham	D	Y
BENNETT of Caribou	D	N
BERRY of Belmont	R	N
BERUBE of Lisbon	R	N
BIERMAN of Sorrento	R	X
BLANCHETTE of Bangor	D	Y
BLISS of South Portland	D	Y
BOWEN of Rockport	R	X
BOWLES of Sanford	R	N
BRANNIGAN of Portland	D	Y
BREAULT of Buxton	D	Y
BROWN of South Berwick	R	Y
BROWNE of Vassalboro	R	Y
BRUNO of Raymond	R	Y
BRYANT-DESCHENES of Turner	R	N
BULL of Freeport	D	Y
BUNKER of Kossuth Township	D	N
CAMPBELL of Newfield	R	Y
CANAVAN of Waterville	D	Y
CARR of Lincoln	R	N
CHURCHILL of Orland	R	N
CHURCHILL of Washburn	R	Y
CLARK of Millinocket	D	N
CLOUGH of Scarborough	R	N
COLLINS of Wells	R	N
COLWELL of Gardiner	D	Y
COURTNEY of Sanford	R	N
COWGER of Hallowell	D	Y
CRAVEN of Lewiston	D	Y
CRESSEY of Baldwin	R	N
CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth	R	N
CUMMINGS of Portland	D	Y
CURLEY of Scarborough	R	N
DAIGLE of Arundel	R	Y
DAVIS of Falmouth	R	N
DUDLEY of Portland	D	Y
DUGAY of Cherryfield	D	X
DUNLAP of Old Town	D	N
DUPLESSIE of Westbrook	D	Y
DUPREY of Hampden	R	N
DUPREY of Medway	D	N
EARLE of Damariscotta	D	Y
EDER of Portland	G	Y
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FISCHER of Presque Isle	D	Y
FLETCHER of Winslow	R	N
GAGNE-FRIEL of Buckfield	D	Y
GERZOFSKY of Brunswick	D	Y
GLYNN of South Portland	R	N
GOODWIN of Pembroke	D	X
GREELEY of Levant	R	Y
GROSE of Woolwich	D	Y
HATCH of Skowhegan	D	Y
HEIDRICH of Oxford	R	N
HONEY of Boothbay	R	N
HOTHAM of Dixfield	R	N
HUTTON of Bowdoinham	D	Y
JACKSON of Fort Kent	U	N
JACOBSEN of Waterboro	R	Y
JENNINGS of Leeds	D	Y
JODREY of Bethel	R	Y
JOY of Crystal	R	N
KAELIN of Winterport	R	Y
KANE of Saco	D	Y
KETTERER of Madison	D	X
KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor	D	Y
LANDRY of Sanford	D	N
LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER of Biddeford	D	Y
LEDWIN of Holden	R	Y
LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach	D	Y
LERMAN of Augusta	D	Y
LESSARD of Topsham	D	Y
LEWIN of Eliot	R	Y
LUNDEEN of Mars Hill	D	N
MAIETTA of South Portland	R	Y
MAILHOT of Lewiston	D	Y
MAKAS of Lewiston	D	Y
MARLEY of Portland	D	Y
MARRACHÉ of Waterville	D	Y
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MILLS of Cornville	R	Y
MOODY of Manchester	R	N
MOORE of Standish	R	Y
MURPHY of Kennebunk	R	Y
MUSE of Fryeburg	R	Y
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PINGREE of North Haven	D	Y
PIOTTI of Unity	D	Y
RECTOR of Thomaston	R	X
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SMITH of Monmouth	D	Y
SMITH of Van Buren	D	Y
SNOWE-MELLO of Poland	R	N
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TOBIN of Windham	R	Y
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TRAHAN of Waldoboro	R	N
TREADWELL of Carmel	R	N
TWOMEY of Biddeford	D	Y
USHER of Westbrook	D	N
VAUGHAN of Durham	R	N
WALCOTT of Lewiston	D	Y
WATSON of Bath	D	Y
WHEELER of Kittery	D	Y
WOODBURY of Yarmouth	U	Y
WOTTON of Littleton	D	N
YOUNG of Limestone	R	N

Please keep this voting record. You should refer to it when speaking to your legislator about his/her vote. Use it when your senator or representative again runs for public office. Make arrangements to speak to your legislators about the vote if it was against the pro-life position. (See yellow insert for talking points.)

If your legislator is not termed out of office and will seek re-election in 2004, get a delegation together, review the law yourself, and then urge support by candidates for office.

This legislation makes sense!

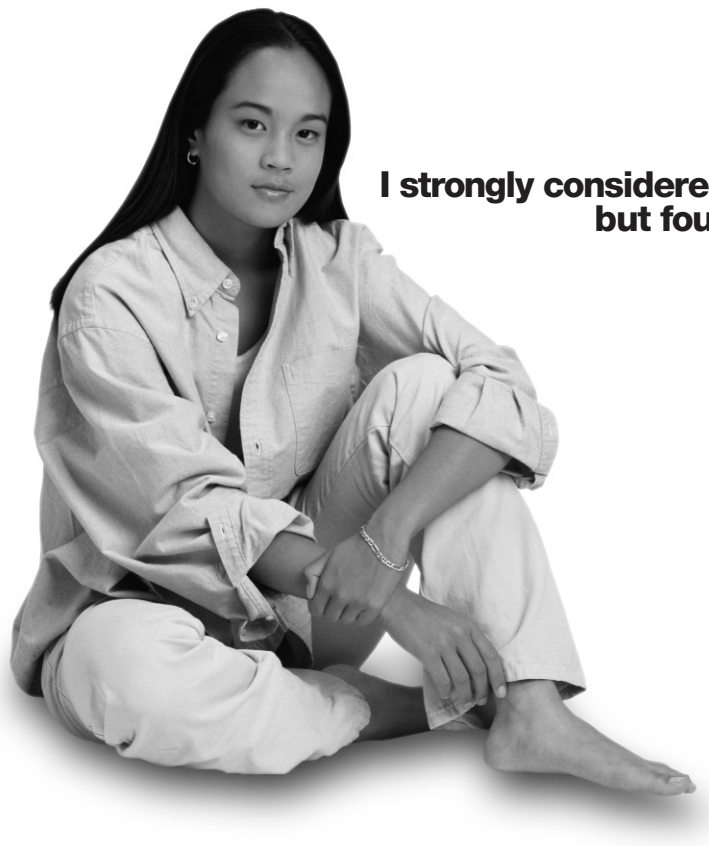
Many thanks to all who made an effort to contact their legislators RE: LD 798. Indications are that people are beginning to listen, even though it doesn't show significantly as yet. MRLC Board Member Patricia DeGrinney contributed the following:

According to the *Portland Press Herald*, among the legislators who spoke in defense of the bill were three women legislators who spoke in favor of the bill to support Informed Consent for Women. They recognized those women who testified about their post-abortion pain at the hearing in Augusta. These women legislators were hoping to address the shortcomings in Maine abortion law that would have been corrected by LD 798.

Rep. Lois Snowe-Mello of Poland, Rep. Julie O'Brien of Augusta and Senator Carolyn Gilman of Westbrook should be commended for standing with those women who refuse to be silent about their abortion experience. One can only wonder, however, about Rep. Bill Norbert of Portland who heard these women and who remained unmoved by their suffering. As a member of the Judiciary Committee, he heard firsthand all the testimony. He was given copies of other documents that supported the need for a better informed patient. I personally read a letter from a group of nurses from a major teaching hospital who work on the OB/Gyn floor. They wrote a brilliant letter of support on behalf of Informed Consent Bill 798 stating that, in their professional experience, women were not being properly informed prior to having an abortion.

Yet according to the newspaper, Mr. Norbert was a chief spokesperson against this reasonable bill. According to Dick Traynor, executive director of the Maine Right to Life Committee, there were many distortions of the facts in the floor debate. Shame on the ones who heard and were unmoved.....

It took Minnesota 9 years to get their bill passed. It will take much work to do the same in Maine, but Maine women deserve better from us and from the legislature. We shall have to work harder to move the hearts and minds of people like Mr. Norbert. Failing that, we must find others to serve who will better represent the interests of Maine women and their children.



I was scared and torn. Unmarried, 18, with a promising modeling career.

My boyfriend pressured me to have an abortion. Another close friend – who had two abortions – pleaded with me not to. I knew she was right. If I did, it would haunt my conscience every day.

Although everything in me wanted to keep my child, I could not. After much struggle, I decided to place my baby for adoption. Friends, family and even strangers were very supportive.

Though I still long for her and pray for her daily, God continues to bless me because I was determined to give my daughter the best.

Adoption was just that – for us both.

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Mrs. Josephine Berube, *mother of Board Member Mike Berube*
Mrs. Beatrice Daigle, *mother of former Board Member Denis Daigle*
Mary Dignan, *founding member of Women Affirming Life*
Mrs. Frances Fink, *a founder of Maine Right to Life*

May these longtime pro-life friends rest in peace.

TWO PRO-LIFE BILLS DEFEATED

Representative Gerry Davis, Falmouth, sponsored An Act To Amend Abortion Reporting Laws in order to achieve greater statistical reliability and hold physicians accountable for sloppy reporting. The bill was defeated.

Representative Kevin Glynn , South Portland, offered a bill to expunge a bizarre provision of Maine's reporting statute which gives immunity to physicians who report the crime of committing a post-viability abortion, which is illegal. This bill also failed.

These votes should greatly embarrass the legislature. Sound public policy should not be held hostage to knee-jerk abortion politics.

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HELPING THE HURTING WOMEN OF MAINE

By Senator Carolyn Gilman, District 29

As a first term Senator this year, I was privileged to sponsor and manage one of the most important bills to come before the Maine legislature in years, namely, An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws, LD 798.

A full comparison of the current informed consent law and the legislation I sponsored appears in the yellow insert in this newspaper.

Maine women deserve better when it comes to making an abortion decision.

LD 798 would have assured that pregnant women considering abortion be given full, unbiased information of the risks and consequences of abortion, *in writing,* in a Bureau of Health brochure to be published, with time to reflect on this grave decision.

Furthermore, in another brochure, these pregnant women would learn the facts of the fetal development of their preborn child, which would have a bearing on their decision. Lastly, they would be told of alternatives to abortion, such as adoption, and supplied with the names of public and private agencies ready and willing to help. And then there would have been a 24-hour waiting period for reflection.

I wanted the legislature of the State of Maine to make sure that women would be treated fairly when making a decision with such serious consequences.

The extent of those consequences became very apparent when eight women courageously appeared before the Joint Judiciary Committee on April 14, 2003 and revealed the hurt and remorse which they have lived with for years. They told of having abortions, which they deeply regret, without the opportunity to have full information concerning the risks of abortion and without time to think before making their decision.

Many good people rallied in support of the bill and worked hard for its passage, including many hurting post-abortive women.

But, it was not to be during this session. While 20 other states have passed comprehensive Informed Consent For Abortion legislation -- three states this year alone (Minnesota, West Virginia, and Texas) -- Maine's legislature failed the women of *this* state. They rejected this sensible, reasonable attempt to respect Maine women.

We did gain exposure this time, which has not happened in the past. People *are* beginning to listen. Even though the members of the Senate defeated LD 798, my seatmate in the Senate chambers told me that members from the side voting against the bill were hanging on every word during the debate.

We presented the facts, truthfully and clearly. And when the truth is presented, those opposing the truth tend to become very uncomfortable. Many of us have witnessed this discomfort first hand.

Because this bill did not pass, I have been in touch with Georgette Forney of Pennsylvania, the national chairwoman of *Silent No More,* a media strategy that will send speakers to Maine to help us embark on a campaign of awareness of the suffering of post-abortive women in Maine. The citizens of Maine will be able to learn first hand what is going on with the abortion business and how the women of Maine are suffering.

There are many groups already on the front lines, rallying people to look toward 2005 and get Informed Consent passed in the Maine legislature. I saw many positive things happening at the state level. Many members of both the Senate and the House supported this bill. Staff members who are pro-life encouraged and supported me daily.

Dear reader, please get involved. Call, write, or email Maine Right to Life for information about how you can become active. We are starting right now for the 2005 legislative session. Working and praying together, we can make this desperately needed legislation a reality for Maine.

LEGISLATURE CHALLENGES MAINE PRO-LIFERS

To interested observers sitting in the Senate and House galleries in Augusta on 5/22/03, it became abundantly clear that there is hope for passage, ultimately, of a desperately needed women's right to know law in Maine. That became evident when the vote of the legislature showed that a 5-vote switch in the Senate (out of 35) and 17 votes in the House (out of 151) would have passed An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws, LD 798.

"We can win this in 2005," declared an upbeat Senator Carolyn Gilman of Westbrook, prime sponsor and manager of the defeated bill which would have guaranteed that women seeking abortion receive full knowledge of the risks and consequences of abortion and 24 hours to reflect on this grave decision. Twenty states have passed comprehensive informed consent laws, three this year.

Maine Right to Life worked with Senator Gilman preparing information flyers that were distributed to all members of the legislature prior to the vote. Opponents of the legislation, lobbying against the bill, passed out misleading arguments which contended that the woefully inadequate current Maine law was a "model" for the nation. This is simply not true.

A comparison of the current law and the proposed amendment demonstrates the stark difference between the old and the new. An objective reading of the contrasting provisions leaves no doubt of the superiority of Senator Gilman's amendment. *[See yellow insert. - Ed.]*

The hurting women of Maine who have had abortions, which they now deeply regret, are testimony to the urgent need for this fair legislation.

A Prayer of the Unborn

Eternal Father, this blessed day
I lift my voice so still.
For though I cannot speak a word,
If any would hear, You will.

The silent cries of all unborn
Are heard not by the ear.
But Lord, they fall upon the heart
Of those who care to hear.

Tell all who would hear I wish to have
My chance at Your love-gift - life.
I wish to know its peace and joy
And yes, its grief and strife.

For whatere betides, both good and bad
I know You are always there.
Inside the womb I feel Your touch
Which says, "I care...I care."

Tell all who would hear I wish to grow,
To run, to laugh, to play.
Tell them I wish to worship You,
To sing, to dance, to pray.

Tell them I wish to play my part
In helping my fellow men.
Tell them I wish to be used by You
To build, and not to condemn.

Tell them I ask not for great wealth
Or things they cannot give.
I only pray, oh great "I Am!"
I have the right to live.

And tell them I wish to share the love
That You so freely gave,
When You sent Your own sweet child
For all of us to save.

And so I ask you, Father,
As this my prayer I end.
Bless all Your precious children.
Amen, my God, Amen!

EDITORIAL

Informed Consent Law

DEFEAT MEANS ULTIMATE VICTORY

The pattern of turning legislative defeat into victory has been repeated in states across the country for women's right to know laws. The primary ingredient of success is known: *get the people involved in the process!*

When the Maine House and Senate defeated Senator Gilman's bill, An Act To Amend the Abortion Consent Laws (LD 798) on May 22, 2003, they were handing us our marching orders. *Get to work now*, they were saying, *and win next time.*

This cause is of paramount importance. Abortion is bad to begin with. It destroys a new human life. But to add to that evil the devastation wrought on unsuspecting women by abortion's physical and psychological consequences -- some of them lifelong -- is to *increase* the havoc.

Tell women seeking abortion the *whole* truth as a matter of fair public policy and give them a chance to choose a different course, better for them and better for the baby.

But to get this vital legislation passed, many segments of society need to learn the truth about Maine's unfair treatment of women seeking abortion.

That's where **you** come in. Your intelligent hard work and cooperation with others can make the difference between victory and defeat.

You will be hearing more about working to pass this legislation in Maine in 2005. Get involved! Call MRLC at **622-3837** or email **life4me@gwi.net**.

TEEN CORNER

News from St. Charles Borromeo Life Teen Youth Group

Baby Beauty Contest A Success!

On Saturday, April 5, 2003 over two hundred people packed Saint Charles' Church Hall in Brunswick to watch as parents from the Brunswick area shared the gift of their children with the community by dressing them up, showing them off, and explaining how precious their children are to them. The "Beautiful Baby Pageant" consisted of parents' presentations, raffle drawings, and baby-related anecdotes.

This was the first in a series of fundraisers that the St. Charles' Life Teen Youth Group will be holding to support the Door to Life crisis pregnancy center in Brunswick. The fundraisers will be held over the nine-month period stretching from the Feast of the Annunciation (March 25th) to Christmas -- the length of Jesus' time in the womb -- and will help Door to Life acquire the financial backing needed to effectively assist pregnant women.

Proud parents with their beautiful babies in the "0 - 6 months" category. Contestants ranged in age from 1 week to 3 years old.

"I had no clue that the turnout would be so tremendous," reported Joshua Houde, advertising coordinator for the event. "I just thank God that so many people responded to this opportunity to help Door to Life and foster an awareness that children are a precious gift from God."

Houde continued, "On the first day of registration, following announcements after seven Masses about the event, the only people to sign up were our youth leaders with their three kids, which wasn't very encouraging." Over the next couple of weeks, however, registrants started pouring in, and by the night of the contest, thirty children were registered! "It's amazing how God works," Houde commented.

Fundraising was accomplished by charging a minimal registration fee, taking donations at the door, and selling raffle tickets for prizes donated by area businesses. Sarah Houde, prize coordinator for the contest, remarked, "I was amazed at the overwhelming response generated by the thirteen local businesses who donated prizes for the event. It was very positive---some even donated above and beyond what we requested."

In fact, a total of thirteen businesses donated prizes for the raffle, including Brunswick Wal-Mart, Clay Play, Cook's Lobster House, Fat Boy Drive In, Flowers by Knowles, Frosty's Donuts, Grazianos Restaurant and Catering in Lisbon, The Great Impasta, Kennebec Tavern and Marina, The Picture People, Pierce Studio, Scarlet Begonias, and Village Candle.

The event was undoubtedly a success, both in its evangelistic component concerning the value of children and in its fundraising component. Andrea Segovia, director of the event, commented, "It was so awesome to see the support the parents gave us. It was definitely a success."

The grand total raised for Door to Life was a tremendous $575!

Members of the St. Charles Borromeo Life Teen Youth Group and friends.

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HOUSE AND SENATE ROLL CALL VOTE ON LD 798, AN ACT TO AMEND MAINE'S ABORTION CONSENT LAWS

Interpretation of Roll Call votes: The motion before the legislature was "Ought Not To Pass," so an **"N"** after your Senator's or Representative's name indicates that he/she voted in **favor** of this pro-life bill.

Please Note:

YES vote — opposes this pro-life legislation and defeats the bill.

NO vote — supports this pro-life legislation

Consider making a follow-up call to your Senator and Rep to thank them if they voted for the bill, or to express dissatisfaction if they voted against the bill.

Roll Call #88 for Senate LD 798 (SP 277)

Date: May 22, 2003
Motion: To accept Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report
Number of Yeas Required: 18 (simple majority)
Outcome: PREVAILS
Yeas (Y): 21
Nays (N): 13
Absent (X): 1
Excused (E): 0

Member	Party	Vote
BENNETT of Oxford	R	Y
BLAIS of Kennebec	R	N
BRENNAN of Cumberland	D	Y
BROMLEY of Cumberland	D	Y
BRYANT of Oxford	D	Y
CARPENTER of York	R	Y
CATHCART of Penobscot	D	Y
DAGGETT of Kennebec	D	Y
DAMON of Hancock	D	Y
DAVIS of Piscataquis	R	N
DOUGLASS of Androscoggin	D	Y
EDMONDS of Cumberland	D	Y
GAGNON of Kennebec	D	Y
GILMAN of Cumberland	R	N
HALL of Lincoln	D	Y
HATCH of Somerset	D	Y
KNEELAND of Aroostook	R	N
LaFOUNTAIN of York	D	Y
LEMONT of York	R	X
MARTIN of Aroostook	D	N
MAYO of Sagadahoc	R	Y
MITCHELL of Penobscot	R	Y
NASS of York	R	N
PENDLETON of Cumberland	D	Y
ROTUNDO of Androscoggin	D	Y
SAVAGE of Knox	R	N
SAWYER of Penobscot	R	N
SHOREY of Washington	R	N
STANLEY of Penobscot	D	N
STRIMLING of Cumberland	D	Y
TREAT of Kennebec	D	Y
TURNER of Cumberland	R	Y
WESTON of Waldo	R	N
WOODCOCK of Franklin	R	N
YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot	R	N

Roll Call #159 for House LD 798 (SP 277)

Date: May 22, 2003
Motion: To accept Majority OUGHT NOT TO PASS Report
Number of Yeas Required:71 (simple majority)
Outcome: PREVAILS
Yeas (Y): 86 **"Y" opposes pro-life bill**
Nays (N): 54 **"N" supports pro-life bill**
Absent (X): 11
Excused (E): 0

Member	Party	Vote
ADAMS of Portland	D	Y
ANDREWS of York	R	N
ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft	R	N
ASH of Belfast	D	X
AUSTIN of Gray	R	N
BARSTOW of Gorham	D	Y
BENNETT of Caribou	D	N
BERRY of Belmont	R	N
BERUBE of Lisbon	R	N
BIERMAN of Sorrento	R	X
BLANCHETTE of Bangor	D	Y
BLISS of South Portland	D	Y
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BOWLES of Sanford	R	N
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BUNKER of Kossuth Township	D	N
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CANAVAN of Waterville	D	Y
CARR of Lincoln	R	N
CHURCHILL of Orland	R	N
CHURCHILL of Washburn	R	Y
CLARK of Millinocket	D	N
CLOUGH of Scarborough	R	N
COLLINS of Wells	R	N
COLWELL of Gardiner	D	Y
COURTNEY of Sanford	R	N
COWGER of Hallowell	D	Y
CRAVEN of Lewiston	D	Y
CRESSEY of Baldwin	R	N
CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth	R	N
CUMMINGS of Portland	D	Y
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JENNINGS of Leeds	D	Y
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JOY of Crystal	R	N
KAELIN of Winterport	R	Y
KANE of Saco	D	Y
KETTERER of Madison	D	X
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LANDRY of Sanford	D	N
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LEDWIN of Holden	R	Y
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LERMAN of Augusta	D	Y
LESSARD of Topsham	D	Y
LEWIN of Eliot	R	Y
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SNOWE-MELLO of Poland	R	N
STONE of Berwick	R	N
SUKEFORTH of Union	U	X
SULLIVAN of Biddeford	D	Y
SUSLOVIC of Portland	D	Y
SYKES of Harrison	R	N
TARDY of Newport	R	N
THOMAS of Orono	D	Y
THOMPSON of China	D	Y
TOBIN of Windham	R	Y
TOBIN of Dexter	R	N
TRAHAN of Waldoboro	R	N
TREADWELL of Carmel	R	N
TWOMEY of Biddeford	D	Y
USHER of Westbrook	D	N
VAUGHAN of Durham	R	N
WALCOTT of Lewiston	D	Y
WATSON of Bath	D	Y
WHEELER of Kittery	D	Y
WOODBURY of Yarmouth	U	Y
WOTTON of Littleton	D	N
YOUNG of Limestone	R	N

Please keep this voting record. You should refer to it when speaking to your legislator about his/her vote. Use it when your senator or representative again runs for public office. Make arrangements to speak to your legislators about the vote if it was against the pro-life position. (See yellow insert for talking points.)

If your legislator is not termed out of office and will seek re-election in 2004, get a delegation together, review the law yourself, and then urge support by candidates for office.

This legislation makes sense!

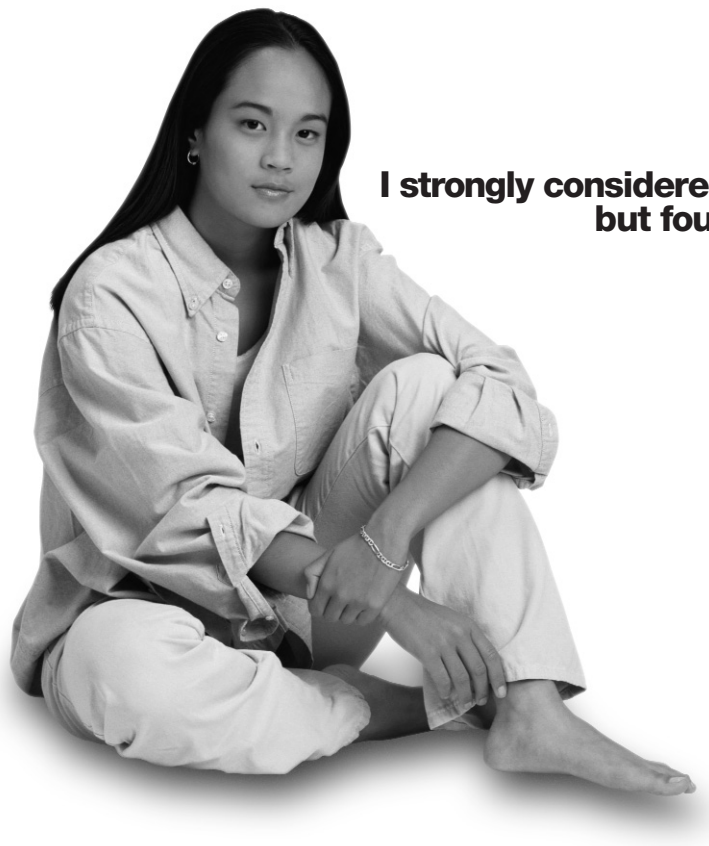
Many thanks to all who made an effort to contact their legislators RE: LD 798. Indications are that people are beginning to listen, even though it doesn't show significantly as yet. MRLC Board Member Patricia DeGrinney contributed the following:

According to the *Portland Press Herald*, among the legislators who spoke in defense of the bill were three women legislators who spoke in favor of the bill to support Informed Consent for Women. They recognized those women who testified about their post-abortion pain at the hearing in Augusta. These women legislators were hoping to address the shortcomings in Maine abortion law that would have been corrected by LD 798.

Rep. Lois Snowe-Mello of Poland, Rep. Julie O'Brien of Augusta and Senator Carolyn Gilman of Westbrook should be commended for standing with those women who refuse to be silent about their abortion experience. One can only wonder, however, about Rep. Bill Norbert of Portland who heard these women and who remained unmoved by their suffering. As a member of the Judiciary Committee, he heard firsthand all the testimony. He was given copies of other documents that supported the need for a better informed patient. I personally read a letter from a group of nurses from a major teaching hospital who work on the OB/Gyn floor. They wrote a brilliant letter of support on behalf of Informed Consent Bill 798 stating that, in their professional experience, women were not being properly informed prior to having an abortion.

Yet according to the newspaper, Mr. Norbert was a chief spokesperson against this reasonable bill. According to Dick Traynor, executive director of the Maine Right to Life Committee, there were many distortions of the facts in the floor debate. Shame on the ones who heard and were unmoved.....

It took Minnesota 9 years to get their bill passed. It will take much work to do the same in Maine, but Maine women deserve better from us and from the legislature. We shall have to work harder to move the hearts and minds of people like Mr. Norbert. Failing that, we must find others to serve who will better represent the interests of Maine women and their children.



I was scared and torn. Unmarried, 18, with a promising modeling career.

My boyfriend pressured me to have an abortion. Another close friend – who had two abortions – pleaded with me not to. I knew she was right. If I did, it would haunt my conscience every day.

Although everything in me wanted to keep my child, I could not. After much struggle, I decided to place my baby for adoption. Friends, family and even strangers were very supportive.

Though I still long for her and pray for her daily, God continues to bless me because I was determined to give my daughter the best.

Adoption was just that – for us both.

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Mrs. Beatrice Daigle, *mother of former Board Member Denis Daigle*
Mary Dignan, *founding member of Women Affirming Life*
Mrs. Frances Fink, *a founder of Maine Right to Life*

May these longtime pro-life friends rest in peace.

TWO PRO-LIFE BILLS DEFEATED

Representative Gerry Davis, Falmouth, sponsored An Act To Amend Abortion Reporting Laws in order to achieve greater statistical reliability and hold physicians accountable for sloppy reporting. The bill was defeated.

Representative Kevin Glynn , South Portland, offered a bill to expunge a bizarre provision of Maine's reporting statute which gives immunity to physicians who report the crime of committing a post-viability abortion, which is illegal. This bill also failed.

These votes should greatly embarrass the legislature. Sound public policy should not be held hostage to knee-jerk abortion politics.

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Dr. Alveda C. King founded King for America, Inc. "to assist people in enriching their lives spiritually, personally, mentally and economically." She is the daughter of the late slain civil rights activist Rev. A. D. King and his wife Naomi Barber King. Alveda is the grateful mother of six children and she is a doting grandmother.

Currently, Alveda is serving as Director of African American Outreach for Gospel of Life, headed up by Father Frank Pavone of Priests for Life. She also consults with the Africa Humanitarian Christian Fellowship, founded by her mentor, Pastor Allen McNair of Believers' Bible Christian Church in Atlanta, Georgia.

Alveda's Doctorate of Laws was conferred by Saint Anslem College. She has served as a Senior Fellow of the Alexis de Tocqueville Institute. She has also served on the boards and committees of numerous organizations, including the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, Coalition Of African American Pastors, and the Judeo-Christian Coalition For Constitutional Restoration. She also served in the Georgia State House of Representatives, and is an accomplished actress and songwriter.

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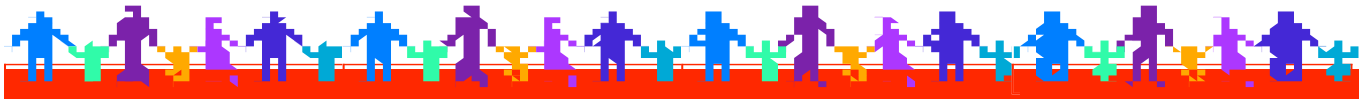

H A N D S AROUND THE CAPITOL 2006

ACTION ALERT

Mark your Calendars for January 14th to participate in our Annual HANDS AROUND THE CAPITOL march. This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march. We hope to continually grow participation in order to make an even greater statement and impact with our presence in 2006 - and we need your help!

Alert your family and friends - encourage them to save the date and **ATTEND**! Make reminder calls a few days before the event and offer to drive those people who need your assistance. Remind your network of family and friends that PARTICIPATION is key! This is the only VISIBLE opportunity we have in Maine to reinforce that Maine people are **PRO-LIFE!**

10:00AM - Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Western Avenue in Augusta, ME*

11:00AM - Gather in St. Mary's Gym - network with other pro-life people - refreshments.

11:15AM - Rally with Prominent Pro-Life Speakers - including, Pastor Daniel McNutt of the Boothbay Baptist Church, State Senator Paul Davis and Representative Richard Cebra.

12:15PM - The March begins - we leave for the Capital

12:30PM - Assemble around the Capitol Hand to Hand -
The Capitol Bell will ring 33 times representing the number of years since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

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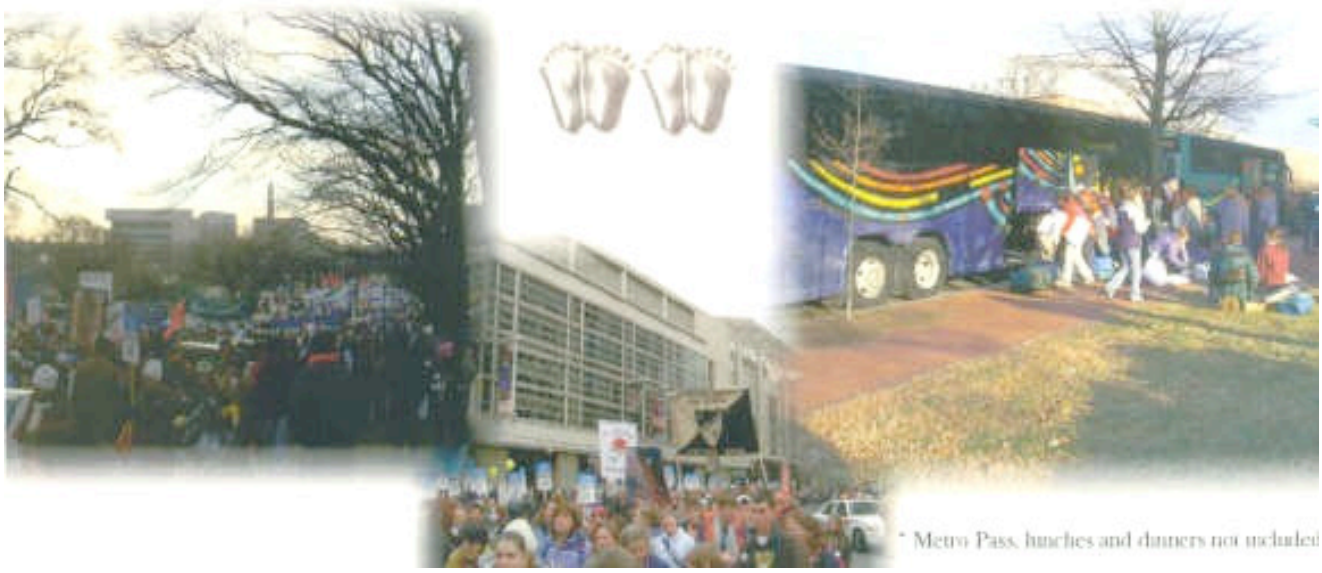

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33rd Annual March for Life
Washington, DC - January 23, 2006

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, through the Pro-Life Office, is supporting an Adult Bus that will go to Washington, DC for the ***March for Life*** commemorating the 33rd Anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision.

This nationally televised ***March for Life***, which ends on the National Mall, brings together Pro-Life advocates of all ages from all over the United States. It is a proud and public statement by all those who are offended by the Roe v. Wade decision and are willing to publicly show their support for Life.

The sponsoring groups and the Maine State Knights of Columbus are offering two trip options for students, these leaving Maine on Saturday, January 21, 2006. The additional Adult Bus is also an option. You will have the chance to join together with hundreds of thousands of other Pro-Life Advocates and be a part of this powerful statement in support of LIFE!

For more information please contact by January 13, 2006:

Trip 1 - Youth Ministry of Cluster 1, Carolyn Bouchard,
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Email: stlouisym@pivot.net

Trip 2 - Pro-Life at Holy Cross, Lewiston, Pam Rousseau - 786-8081
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Adult Bus - Catholic Diocese – P. O. Box 11559, Portland, ME 04104-7559 – 773-6471 x7821 Email: dmichaud@portlanddiocese.net

Adult Bus Captain: Larry Quealy, 14 Colonial Way, Auburn, ME 04210 - 786-4227

FACTS
Adult Bus Trip – January 22-24, 2006

The Adult Bus Committee consisting of members from the Knights of Columbus, Chancery Volunteers and Parishioners has been able to put together the following travel package for an Adult Bus trip. As long as there is a minimum of 45 people we will be able to go forward with the Adult Bus. Once that number has been reached you will receive a registration form to complete and return to Pro-Life Office.

SCHEDULE

- Bus departs Sunday, January 22nd: Bangor at 3:00 a.m. from St. John's Church, Augusta 4:00 a.m. from St. Mary's Church, Lewiston 4:45 a.m. from Holy Cross Church, Portland 5:30 a.m. from the Chancery and Kittery 6:30 a.m. from St. Raphael's Church.
- A box lunch, snacks, soda and water will be provided for all on the bus ride down.
- Bus travel and lodging at a Comfort Inn, in Maryland, eight miles from Washington DC will cost:
    - $190.00 per person for rooms of two people
    - $160.00 per person for rooms of 4 people
- This includes a deluxe continental breakfast, which is available to all in the hotel.
- Lunch and dinner during the stay in Washington, DC is the individual's responsibility as is dinner on the way back. There are a variety of restaurants around the hotel.
- Tuesday, January 24th 6:30 a.m. bus departs hotel and should arrive in Kittery by 6:30 p.m. and will continue through the stops back to Bangor.
- Sunday evening the bus will transport to and from the Mass at the National Shrine.
- Monday the bus will transport after breakfast to the 10:00 a.m. Rally
- *March for Life* will be from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- The bus will then meet with travelers and, for those who wish to join in, there will be a visual tour of Washington, DC. Others may wish to take the Metro back to the hotel.
- After the tour, the bus will return to the hotel.
- Dinner plans are up to the individual traveler.
- Tuesday morning travelers will load the bus and be at breakfast for 6:00 a.m. after which the bus will depart for Maine. The bus should arrive in Kittery at about 6:30 p.m.

Anyone that is interested in joining this trip must send a check written to: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland **by January 13, 2006**. The check would be $190 pp for two people or $160 pp for four people. Please include the names, addresses and phone numbers of those wishing to join this trip as they will be contacted by January 13, 2006 with confirmation and registration details. Send this **ALL** to the attention of Deborah Michaud, Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, PO Box 11559, Portland, ME 04104-7559. If you have any questions about this trip please contact the Pro-Life Office at 773-6471 Ext. 7821.

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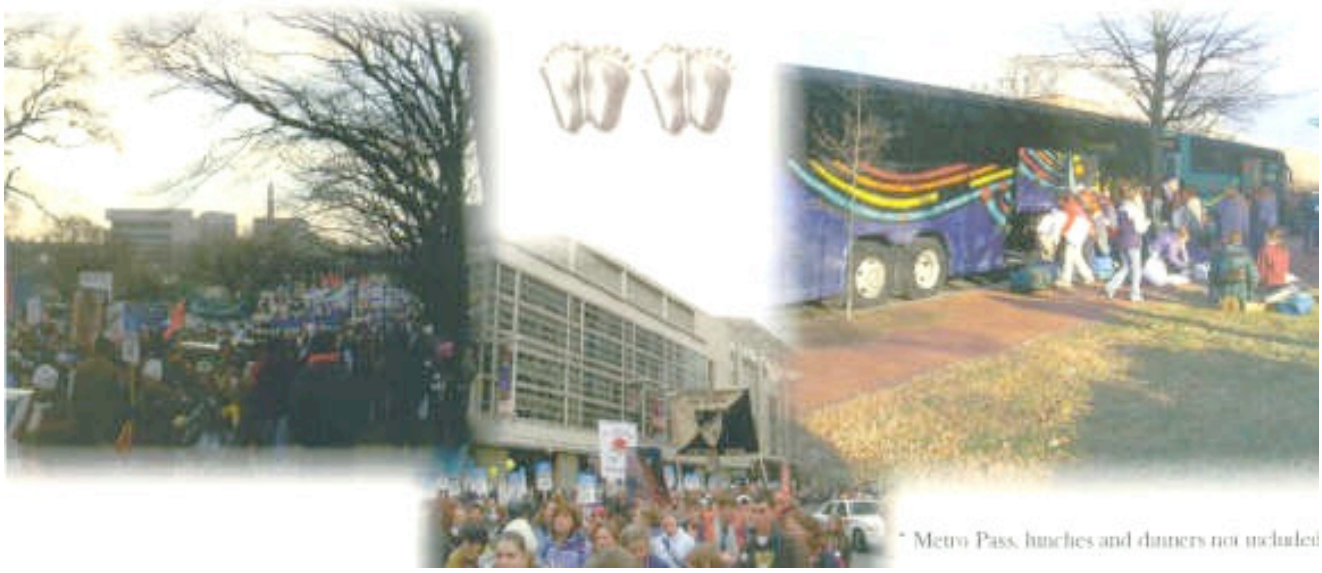

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ANALYSIS OF UNITED STATES ABORTION STATISTICS*

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBERS OF ABORTIONS, 1980 TO 2000: 1,517,290 (100%)

CHARACTERISTICS OF ABORTING WOMEN

Marital Status

Unmarried	1,215,350	(80.1%)
Married	301,940	(19.9%)

Percentage of Pregnancies Aborted

Total	28.4%
Married	9.7%
Unmarried	54.9%

Prior Legal Abortions (1998 figures)

None	594,500	(43.4%)
One	431,300	(31.5%)
Two	212,300	(15.5%)
Three or more	131,500	(9.6%)
Total repeaters	775,100	(56.6%)

Race

White	983,200	(64.8%)
Minority	534,090	(35.2%)

Age

Under 15	15,170	(1.0%)
15 to 17	157,800	(10.4%)
18 to 19	227,590	(15.0%)
20 to 24	512,850	(33.8%)
25 to 29	318,630	(21.0%)
30 to 34	177,520	(11.7%)
35 to 39	84,970	(5.6%)
40 and over	22,760	(1.5%)

Prior Births

None	826,930	(54.5%)
One	333,800	(22.0%)
Two	230,630	(15.2%)
Three	83,450	(5.5%)
Four or more	42,480	(2.8%)

CONTRACEPTIVE USE

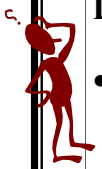
Women not using contraception (abortion as birth control)	644,850	(42.5%)
Failed contraception	872,440	(57.5%)

WHEN ABORTIONS WERE COMMITTED

To 10 weeks	1,177,420	(77.6%)
11 to 20 weeks	330,700	(21.8%)
21 or more weeks	9,100	(.6%)

THE "HARD CASES"

Mother's life or health	5,460	(0.36%)
For rape and incest	1,420	(0.09%)
For fetal birth defects	3,640	(0.24%)
Total "hard-cases"	**10,520**	**(0.69%)**
Non-therapeutic ("lifestyle") abortions	**1,506,770**	**(99.31%)**



DID YOU KNOW:

- *The widespread availability of contraception does not, as sex educators & school-based clinic advocates assert, lead to decreased abortions, because 57.5% of all women who abort were using contraception when they conceived.**
- *Millions of women use abortion as a birth control in the US. More than 40% of women who abort were not using any kind of contraception when they became pregnant; more than half of all women who abort have had abortions before; and nearly 10% of women who abort have had at least three abortions before.**

*Brian Clowes, PhD. *The Facts of Life*. Virginia: Human Life International, 2001, p339, 340

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Pro-Woman - Pro-Life - Pro-Active! *April 2006*

Dear Pro-Life Friends:

We made our move from 8 Green Street in Augusta to Two Great Falls Plaza in Auburn on April 1st. Our new address and contact information is:

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Please join us for our Open House on Thursday, June 15th in our new office! Drop by any time between 2:00 & 8:00 p.m. to say hello and get acquainted with other MRLC Members and Pro-Life Community Leaders! We hope you can join us! NOTE: This date has changed from original posting.

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We need your help! From time to time, we email our members regarding important pro-life Action Alerts. Action Alerts are used to get the word out to our members that we need immediate action from you in contacting elected officials either at the local, state or federal level. These action alerts allow us to express our pro-life position on current legislation or on issues that will ultimately affect the pro-life cause. Unfortunately, we're seeing more and more email addresses rejected because we have old information which limits the impact of our Action Alerts. Please **contact us immediately** to clarify your email address so we can effectively use this valuable tool in the pro-life cause. **We will not share your email address** with any other group or organization. Simply email your address to us at info@mainerighttolife.com or call us at 207-782-0101.

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Carl J. Maddaleni is our featured writer for this month's Newsletter. Carl writes…

The pro-life movement has seen some promising news of late. Most prominent is the continuing downward trend in the number of abortions. Nationally the numbers are down 14% from their peak and here in Maine they're down a whopping 50%. In addition to that encouraging trend, is the feeling that more truth about abortions is getting out even in the mainstream media. For example, in recent weeks there has been increased publicity about 6 deaths here in the U.S. attributed to RU-486 and Planned Parenthood's involvement.

This trend in truth is not only continuing but seems to be gathering some steam. In the RU-486 case, 20 scientists will convene in Atlanta at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on May 11th to look into the connection between the effects of RU-486 and the presence of deadly bacteria in the women's blood stream. An FDA official told the N.Y. Times that security will be unusually tight because some abortion activists have issued threats against those speaking out.

In the Portland Press Herald of February 13th, there appeared a prominent article about the significant increase in the number of adoptions of Down syndrome babies. Not only is this life-affirming shift in attitude encouraging, it is also somewhat amazing. It was only several years ago that it was reported that the vast majority of pre-borns diagnosed with this affliction were routinely aborted.

Also in the Portland Press Herald on December 20, 2005, there was a feature article about the increase in the number of American women with unplanned pregnancies who were bringing their babies to term rather than aborting. The information came from the National Center for Health Statistics which surveyed 7,643 U.S. women aged 15-44. The increase was a modest 5% over the seven year period, but it indicated a clearly defined pro-life shift.

Among young people, a recent Hamilton College poll of high school seniors confirmed that the pro-life trend is for real. It found that 70% of females in the class of 2006 would not consider abortion if they became pregnant. Some 67% said that abortion is morally wrong and only 13% said that they would counsel a pregnant friend to have an abortion; 69% of the senior boys said that they would never want their girl friends to consider an abortion.

Another new and revealing poll, and somewhat surprising if you only read the local media, is the poll regarding abstinence by the Harris Co. It showed that a clear majority o those aged 18-29 believe that abstinence education programs are effective in reducing the number of unwanted pregnancies and the rates of HIV and AIDS. A Washington Times story highlighted the striking difference between younger and older adults in the poll. "Those under 30 are more likely to believe that abstinence programs are effective and, of course, it is this age group that is the main target for these programs."

In New Zealand Professor David M. Fergusson, director of the longitudinal Christchurch Health and Development Study, released a short time ago the results of a 25 year study that confirmed that young women who have had an abortion subsequently experience elevated rates of suicidal behavior, depression, substance abuse, anxiety and other mental problems. When he presented the findings to New Zealand's Abortion Supervisory Committee, it told Professor Ferguson that it would be "undesirable to publish the results in their unclarified state."

Professor Fergusson responded that it would be "scientifically irresponsible" to suppress the findings simply because they touched on an explosive political issue. In an interview, he insisted that, "I remain pro-choice. I am not religious, I am an atheist and a rationalist…the results appear to be very robust because they persist across a series of disorders and a series of ages…abortion is a traumatic life event, that is, it involves loss, it involves grief, it involves difficulties. And the trauma may, in fact, predispose people to mental illness."

Despite the committee's attempted stonewalling, the study has received significant publicity and attention. In this country, it was introduced into the official record at the senate confirmation hearings of Supreme Court Justice, Samuel Alito. Rep. Mark Souder (R-IN) has asked the National Institute of Health about what efforts it is taking to confirm or refute Professor Fergusson's study.

If anyone needs further evidence that the pro-life movement is gaining momentum and that pro-abortion forces are clearly disturbed, one need only to recall the Senate confirmation hears of Judge Alito. Some of the questioning from the abortion supporting Senators bordered on the absurd and insulting. It suggested almost a sense of desperation. Even the mainstream media commented on it.

Our Annual Mother's Day Carnation Event is moving forward and on schedule for the week-end of May 13th & 14th. Our deadline for placing orders is April 24th - if you're not sure if your Church participates - give them a call and encourage them to do so! Please support our work by signing up for volunteer opportunities and help us make this year's fundraiser another success. Email us at info@mainerighttolife.com or call us at 782-0101 for information on purchasing carnations for your church or organization!

The ED CORNER . . . . each month we'll provide helpful <u>facts</u> and information that you can use to become better equipped to argue and defend the Pro-Life position. With each newsletter, you'll become more comfortable arguing against the aging misinformation that our adversaries continue to spout.

Argument 2: A Woman has the right to control her own body.

The short answer is: Every mother is faced with profound decisions to make for herself and her child but these decisions can never include the right to kill her baby. Mothers facing difficult pregnancies require accurate and compassionate information about the facts of fetal development as well as the practical help that is available to them through the more than 3,000 mother helping centers around the USA. Mothers have a right to be fully informed about the facts at least 24 hours before making this life or death decision for themselves and their child.

A detailed explanation can be found in excerpts from the following article - originally published in 1998
By Olivia Gans and Mary Spaulding Balch, J.D.

The underlying premise to the many arguments that fall within this category - - that "a woman has a right to control her own body" - - is that it would be unfair to the mother to "force" her to carry her unborn child to term. Therefore, it should be her decision alone to decide whether her unborn child lives or dies.

The argument unfolds in roughly this fashion. It would be "unjust" to require the mother to carry her baby to term because it would require her to quit school, abandon her career, suffer for the rest of her life never knowing where her child was if she placed the child for adoption, or face the stigma of "unwed" motherhood, or an endless number of other scenarios.

Beyond this basic contention, proponents further claim that the mother has the "right" to privacy, the "right" to choose, and the "right" to equal protection, all of which require a "right" to abortion.

The right to privacy, continues the argument, protects the woman's ability to make personal decisions in private, without the imposition of "Big Brother."

This mode of argument culminates with the conclusion that it is this "freedom of choice" that enables a woman to compete equally with a man.

CONTROLLING ASSUMPTIONS

What is astonishing about this reasoning is the assumption behind each of these "injustices" - - that the only way a pregnant woman can accomplish anything is for her to kill her baby. What is even more incomprehensible is that some women accept this specious reasoning and actually fight to keep the ability to legally kill their unborn child as a claimed "right!"

What is the rhetorical ploy at work here? Abortion supporters compare unfavorably the life of one human being (the unborn child) with the "right" to live without the temporary condition of nine months of pregnancy. The result is that the temporary condition and its inconveniences trumps the child's very right to exist.

When you reach this point, remind your listeners that this way of reasoning threatens everyone's right to life. Determining who shall live and who shall die has become completely arbitrary.

Let's look more closely at the argument that "a woman has the right to control her own body."

Certainly, she has the right to control the use of her arm by choosing to swing her arm. However, that right stops when her arm approaches the tip of my nose.

She may even have the right to scream at the top of her lungs that she hates the movie *Titanic*, but she doesn't have the right to scream "fire" in the crowded theater. Reason and historic experience teaches us that unless we protect the rights of others, our own rights soon diminish as well.

Note also that, as is so often the case, abortion supporters have simply defined the unborn out of existence. Or, more specifically, they contend nobody can know "when human life begins."

An essential part of your response to this family of argument is to remind your audience that it is not a mere opinion that two bodies are involved in this decision but **a scientific fact**. It is important to understand that a surprising number of people have convinced themselves that the unborn child is not a separate human being, meaning the entire focus is on the mother. Shorn of its individual existence, the child is reduced to a "problem" to be eliminated. What is your counter?

Remind your audience that the unborn child is the smallest, least seen among us, and thus, is the most vulnerable. Buttress your appeal to our common humanity with some of the elementary points of embryology. This little human being has a beating heart as early as 18 days, with tiny little fingers and toes.

All her genetic definition of who she is for now and always - - the color of her eyes, her hair, how tall she will grow to be - - was present at the moment of fertilization. Therefore, in every abortion a helpless someone dies.

Answering this argument also allows the pro-lifer to bring attention to the least understood facet of the abortion debate: that most women feel trapped into their abortions. This is a great opportunity to point out that women usually make their decision with little or no accurate information about their pregnancy or knowledge that assistance is available for them from the over 3,000 pro-life mother-helping centers around the country.

We must help people to grasp that women aren't really in control of anything if they do not have the right to know the whole truth before they have an abortion.

Point out that anyone who supports "choice" surely should support an informed choice in this context as well.

Yet, attempts to pass protective legislation insuring that women are given information about risks and alternatives to abortion and scientifically accurate information about the developing unborn child are routinely opposed and challenged by abortion advocates. Only a handful of states have recognized the right of women to be fully informed. There is a real insult to women's intelligence in that fact.

As women, we believe that perhaps the greatest crime committed against women by the legalization of abortion is the ugly idea that our ability to bear children is a punishment or a failure on our part. That notion has sent a message to three generations of women that they must - - at all costs - - reject their own children if they are going to avert failure.

Women have to stop apologizing for the fact that they bear children. Gently but firmly emphasize that, ironically, as long as women give into the expectation that they ought to kill their children in order to get further in this world (that is, compete equally with men), they really are "second-class" citizens.

A major element in much of the rhetoric that is used within this particular category of arguments is the tragic notion that the unborn child is an enemy of her mother. Mother and child are pitted against each other.

We must help our questioners to realize that mother and child are not antagonists but equals who must **both** be protected by law.

The only reasonable perspective is that every human being's life must be protected from the moment of fertilization until natural death. It cannot be subject to the arbitrary whims of others, or soon each of us will find ourselves or our loved ones being defined out of existence.

Finally, the constant rallying cry attendant to this "women must control their own bodies" argument is the clever but evasive rejoinder, "Who decides?" You can point out that the more appropriate question is, "Who dies?"

Since every abortion does in fact stop a beating heart, it is absolutely essential that a just government pass laws to respect the right to life. Slogans like "Keep your laws off my ovaries" are simply a distraction from the power of the truth about the unborn's life. Our elected officials are bound on our behalf to ensure that protection is provided every human being.

Ultimately, the only way to actually protect the mother's rights will be by enforcing laws that secure her child's right to life.

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The Will to Live Project by National Right to Life protects your own life and the lives of your family members when you cannot speak for yourselves. It **names** someone you trust to safeguard your life when you cannot speak for yourself as your "health care agent." It **describes** the treatment you do and do not want to guide your health care agent and physicians. It **protects** your family and health care agent from pressure from health care providers and others by allowing them to prove what you really did want. It **relieves** the agony of decision making for them by making your wishes clear. And finally, it's easy to fill out. Download a FREE copy at www.MaineRightToLife.com. No internet access - no problem - just call us at 207-782-0101 and we'll mail you a copy along with easy to read instructions. Do it today!

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Support Pro-Life Candidates! The June primary is coming up fast. We're starting to see returns from our candidate surveys. Find out if your local candidates have responded and what their position is on pro-life issues. It's very important for us to let candidates know that we support their candidacy when they're pro-life. One way we can do that is to offer to do literature drops, offer to put up lawns signs and even offer to host a neighborhood house party giving the candidate an opportunity to meet more people. Stay informed and vote!

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This article regarding stem cells, is an excerpt from ***Testimony before the House Government Reform Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources*** by *David A Prentice, PhD.*

Research using stem cells not derived from human embryos has confirmed what prior evidence had long suggested: that adult stem cells (and other "post-natal" stem cells) have vast biomedical potential to cure diseases such as diabetes, Parkinson's, heart disease, and other degenerative diseases. This biomedical potential is as great as, or greater than the potential offered by human embryonic stem cell research. Simply stated, adult stem cell research is a preferable alternative for progress in regenerative medicine and cell-based therapies for disease because it does not pose the medical, legal, and ethical problems associated with destructive human embryonic stem cell research.

The biomedical potential of adult stem cells is enormous. Adult stem cells have already been used successfully in treatments for diseases such as multiple sclerosis, lupus, renal cell carcinoma, and breast cancer, with encouraging results. Moreover, animal models using adult stem cell treatments indicate that therapeutic treatments for pernicious diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, Parkinson's, and stroke are well within the vast therapeutic capabilities of adult stem cells.

Additionally, science is continuing to discover human adult stem cells for an increasing number of cell and tissue types. Furthermore, studies of the pluripotent nature of human adult stem cells as readily accessible as stem cells from fat or bone marrow are yielding impressive results, and strongly suggest that some adult stem cells have the capacity to transform into all significant cell and tissue types.

Whereas human adult stem cells continue to surpass the Guidelines' expectations and amaze observers, embryonic stem cells have yet to live up to their billing as the new fountain of youth. Embryonic stem cells have proven to be difficult to work with, and carry with them significant risks that cast doubt upon their therapeutic viability. Indeed, some now say that human cloning might be necessary if embryonic stem cells could ever have clinical application to human beings. The shortcomings of embryonic stem cells, contrasted with the capability of adult stem cells, have led scientists to conclude that "adult stem cells have several advantages as compared with embryonic stem cells in their practical therapeutic application for tissue regeneration."

Finally, it is worth noting that the National Bioethics Advisory Commission ("NBAC"), which recommended federally funding research using embryonic stem cells under the assumption that embryonic stem cells "offer greater promise of therapeutic breakthroughs," noted that "the derivation of stem cells from embryos . . . is justifiable *only if no less morally problematic alternatives are available for advancing the research*." There can be little doubt that adult stem cells provide equal, if not greater, potential for biomedical application as compared with embryonic stem cells. Thus, applying NBAC's own standard, the scientific record indicates that federal funding of destructive human embryonic stem cell research is not justifiable. Indeed, less morally problematic alternatives for advancing the research are available, due to the stunning promise of research using adult stem cells.

For more information visit: http://www.stemcellresearch.org/testimony/prentice3.htm#_ftn1

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Maine Right to Life is on The Move!

Augusta, March 30, 2006. The Maine Right to Life Committee (MRLC) will be moving its headquarters from 8 Green Street in Augusta to Two Great Falls Plaza in Auburn on April 1st. The move offers several opportunities for MRLC to improve its visibility and accessibility to the public in addition to moving closer to a large contingent of Pro-Life supporters.

This is an exciting time for Maine Right Life advised Executive Director, Rita Feeney who took over leadership of the group in mid-November. Feeney advised that its membership is made up of people from different walks of life who are diverse in their personal and political backgrounds but who all believe in the sanctity of life. Feeney added that the group's youth membership continues to grow and that this particular membership has expressed an eagerness to get more directly involved in Pro-Life work. Our physical move puts us in a more central location for members from the Greater Portland area as well as the Lewiston/Auburn and Augusta areas, says Feeney. Feeney added that although she will continue to travel to Augusta to address any legislative or political requirements, it's not necessary for the day to day operations to be physically located in Augusta.

Feeney also advised that MRLC has not forgotten its Augusta and Bangor North members. Plans are currently underway to move Maine Right to Life's Annual Convention in October to Augusta from Portland. The objective is to accommodate all members by reducing the travel distance for its northern affiliates. Although our new office will be a little further from our northern base, I'll soon be scheduling regular meetings with northern chapters, which has not happened in the recent past so it's a win, win situation for all, says Feeney.

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death. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death and to actively promote positive alternatives.

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Supreme Court Review of Partial-Birth Abortion Ban

Augusta - February 21, 2006. Today the Supreme Court agreed to take another look at the brutal practice of partial-birth abortion. This action comes six years after the Court's much criticized 2000 ruling that Roe v. Wade protects this heinous practice.

In 2003 Congress approved and President Bush signed a national law, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act. The federal law bans "partial-birth abortion" which is defined in the law itself as any abortion in which the baby is delivered past it's navel . . .outside the body of the mother or in the case of a head-first presentation, the entire fetal head is outside the body of the mother - BEFORE being killed. The law would allow the method if it was every necessary to save a mother's life.

Since then, three different federal courts of appeals have ruled that the federal law conflicts with the 2000 Supreme Court decision and they have blocked enforcement of the law. Today, the Supreme Court agreed to review the first of those appeals court rulings, a July 2005 ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (Gonzales v. Carhart).

We understand that the Court will not hear arguments on this case until its next session which begins in October 2006.

We're hopeful that the Supreme Court after hearing the arguments of this appeal, will reverse the extreme position that the Court took in 2000, advised Rita Feeney, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life. Feeney added, t*he 2003 Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act is supported by the majority of Americans who understand that this is a gruesome procedure.*

Factual information regarding this barbaric procedure can be found at:
http://www.nrlc.org/abortion/pba/PBAall110403.html

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33rd Annual H A N D S AROUND THE CAPITOL Memorial

January 14, 2006

Augusta, ME. Maine Right to Life will host its annual Hands Around the Capitol Memorial on Saturday, January 14, 2006. This event is where Maine Pro-Life advocates publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness the solemn march.

This year's program will begin with a Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Western Avenue in Augusta followed by a Rally in St. Mary's school gym advised Rita Feeney, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life. Feeney noted that "although the event begins with a Catholic Mass and the rally takes place in a Catholic School Gym, our membership is made up of people from different faiths that are diverse in their personal and political backgrounds". Feeney went on to say that her organization represents Pro-Life Maine. Those who choose not to attend the Mass are welcome to gather in St. Mary's gym around 11:00AM to join the Rally and warm up prior to the March to the Capitol.

The rally which will begin at 11:15 AM in St. Mary's gym will kick off with Pastor Daniel McNutt of the Boothbay Baptist Church, a life long Pro-Life advocate and consistent participant of this event. Senate Minority Leader, Paul Davis and Representative Rich Cebra will also speak.

10:00AM – Mass at St. Mary's Church, Western Avenue
11:00AM - Gather in School Gym
11:15AM - Rally with Pro-Life Speakers – Refreshments
12:15PM - The March begins - We leave for the Capital
12:30PM - Assemble around the Capital Hand to Hand -
The Capitol Bell will ring 33 times representing the number of years since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about the Maine Right to Life Committee, to join the Committee or to volunteer to support the Committee, please contact us at (207) 622-3837 or info@mainerighttolife.com.

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Progress for America Fires Warning Shot

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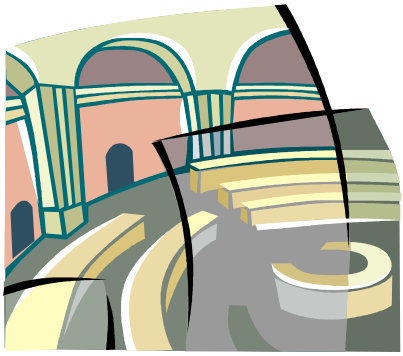

PFA Launches First Comprehensive Campaign in Preparation for Potential Supreme Court Vacancy

WASHINGTON - Today Progress For America Inc. (PFA) will launch a $700,000 grassroots and advertising campaign to warn the public that in the event of a U.S. Supreme Court vacancy, liberals and some Democrats will unleash a disinformation campaign with distorted attacks against any judicial nominee.

"Progress for America does not know who President Bush will nominate in the event of a Supreme Court vacancy this summer. But we do know what everyone else knows that liberal attack groups are hungry to smear almost any potential candidate for the Supreme Court who doesn't meet their left-wing, extreme litmus test," said Brian McCabe, president of PFA.

"We urge liberals to give genuine consideration instead of instant attacks to any potential U.S. Supreme Court nominee," McCabe added.

The television and radio ads (titled "Get Ready") are backed by a substantial buy on all Washington, DC cable news networks and WTOP 1500 AM radio between Wednesday, June 22nd and Friday, July 1st. This DC-focused buy is supplemented by targeted national ad placements on CNN and Fox News.

"Get Ready" is backed by a detailed research paper which documents the liberal coalition to smear judicial nominees. The paper is entitled "Tar & Feather, Inc.: A 10 Step Plan for Judicial Character Assassination" and is available to the public at www.UporDownVote.com.

"Get Ready" explores past liberal attacks on former Supreme Court nominees and cites newspapers that called these liberal attacks a "smear", "dishonest" and "ugly". The ad quotes DNC chair Howard Dean saying Republicans "never made an honest living in their lives" and U.S. Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid calling President Bush a "loser" and a "liar." The full ad and documentation can be seen at: www.UporDownVote.com

Senate Committee Hearing on Abortion Previews Supreme Court Battle *June 24, 2005*

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- In light of a potential battle over a possible nominee to the Supreme Court, a Senate panel held hearings Thursday on the effect of one of the high court's most contentious decisions -- Roe v. Wade. The former Roe in the case testified on abortion's effect.

Norma McCorvey, the former Jane Roe of the infamous case that legalized abortion, became pro-life years ago. She was a single mother with drug and alcohol abuse problems who found herself pregnant again. She wanted a divorce, not an abortion, but Texas attorney Sarah Weddington chose to use her case to junk a state law prohibiting most abortions.

Now a pro-life advocate who has tried to have the courts overturn the original case, McCorvey told her story to members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which would be the first battleground in any fight over a Supreme Court pick. That battle could begin as early as next week, when Washington insiders say Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who was one of two judges dissenting in the Roe case, plans to retire.

Roe was a mistake -- a very, very costly one," Brownback said at the hearing, according to a Reuters report. "Forty million abortions is way too many." Brownback also asked for a panel of legal experts to discuss the fact that scholars are beginning to take a more consensus view that Roe is bad constitutional law.

Edward Whelan, president of the Ethics and Public Policy Center, agreed, saying that Roe "is the Dred Scott of our age."

Whelan called the case "a lawless power grab by the Supreme Court, an unconstitutional act of aggression." However, Wisconsin Senator Russ Feingold said the high court should not "turn back the clock" on abortion.

Sandra Cano, the "Mary Doe" of the Doe v. Bolton decision that entrenched Roe by declaring that abortions could be allowed for to protect a woman's health and that health could be **any reason at all,** also testified. "I did not seek an abortion nor do I believe in abortion," Cano said. "Yet my name and life are now forever linked with the slaughter of 40 to 50 million babies."

Excerpt from: Senate Committee Hearing on Abortion Previews Supreme Court Battle; http://www.lifenews.com/nat1398.html

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MAINE BILLS CONFLICT ON VIOLENCE AGAINST PREGNANT WOMEN

BY STEVEN ERTELT, *LIFENEWS.COM EDITOR*

Augusta, ME -- The Maine legislature is considering a bill which would force judges to give "special weight" to the pregnancy of murder victims when sentencing their killers. But the move is seen by some as a legal maneuver to prevent the legislature from passing a bill that protects both mothers and their unborn children.

The legislation, sponsored by Senate President Beth Edmonds (D-Freeport) would also require the Maine Commission on Domestic and Sexual Abuse to collect and review data regarding the deaths of domestic abuse victims who were pregnant at the time they were killed.
However, pro-life activists say the legislation does not go far enough. That's because the bill would not make it a separate crime to kill an unborn child, also a victim in such crimes.

Edmonds, who supports legal abortion, argues that passing an unborn victims bill "takes us to a place where we would need to define when life begins" and she is not ready to do that. Under Edmonds' bill, if a convicted killer knew or should have known that his victim was pregnant when he killed her, "a court shall assign special weight to this objective fact" in setting the sentence.

However, a pregnant women in a situation where the criminal did not know she was pregnant has no protection under the bill.

Edmonds told the Maine media her bill "encourages the judge to impose a prison sentence on the high end of the discretionary range" to show that society considers such crimes as "particularly reprehensible."

Sarah Standiford of the Maine Women's Lobby supports the legislation.

"This bill acknowledges what victims and domestic-violence advocates have known all along. Batterers frequently target the woman during pregnancy, to further their power and control of the victim," Standiford said.

Some 8 to 15 percent of pregnant women in the U.S. are battered by their husbands or boyfriends, according to recent research.

"Violence in an abusive relationship can increase when a woman is pregnant" and the legislation would help to produce data on that, according to state Public Safety Commissioner Michael Cantara.
Cantara told the Maine press that the bill "would allow a court to give weight to the special circumstances of the (pregnant) murder victim and her heightened vulnerability."
But, Lisa Roche of the Maine Right to Life Committee told the Portland Press Herald that, while collecting data about murders of pregnant women is worthwhile, Edmonds' bill is a poor substitute for a law that would "recognize the unborn as a separate victim of a crime."

Rep. Brian Duprey (R-Hampden), who is pro-life, has introduced a bill that would create several crimes against an unborn child, including homicide, if the child is old enough to live outside the womb.

The pro-abortion lobby claims Duprey's bill would erode the legal right to an abortion, even though similar bills in other states have not done that.

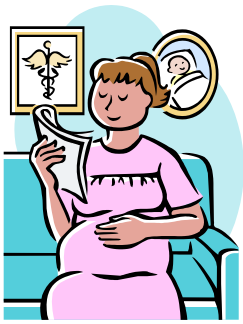
Marc Mutty, a lobbyist for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, told the Press Herald that Duprey's bill is "rational and consistent with the undeniable truth that the fetus is indeed human."
The Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence opposes Duprey's legislation. The coalition's Kim Roberts told the Press Herald she believes that "fetuses are protected when abused women are protected." Roberts claims that granting an unborn child separate legal safeguards could cause abused pregnant women to be charged with neglect.

However, the legal trend has been to enact legislation which ensures that unborn children are counted as crime victims. At least 32 states have fetal homicide laws. Such laws ensure that, when an act of lethal violence is committed against a pregnant woman, her child is considered a victim under the law.
Just over a year ago, Heather Sargent was killed when her husband stabbed her dozens of times. Sargent was eight months pregnant and both she and her son Jonah died as a result.

Maine had no unborn victims law at the time Heather was killed and her husband will only face charges resulting from her death.

Yet, in a cruel twist of fate, police found several dead cats at the Sargent's home. In his rage, Sargent's husband had killed them too. Ironically, under state law, Sargent can be imprisoned for as much as one year for each of the cats he killed, but, can't be held liable for the death of a baby just a short time away from birth.

Cynthia Warner, Heather's mother, also supports the Unborn Victims bill and wants the world to know that such crimes have two victims.



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Check the Score: Adult Stem Cells vs. Embryonic Stem Cells
Benefits in Human Patients

Adult Stem Cells

CANCERS:

1. Brain Cancer
2. Retinoblastoma
3. Ovarian Cancer
4. Skin Cancer: Merkel Cell Carcinoma
5. Testicular Cancer
6. Tumors abdominal organs Lymphoma
7. Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
8. Hodgkin's Lymphoma
9. Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
10. Acute Myelogenous Leukemia
11. Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia
12. Juvenile Myelomonocytic Leukemia
13. Cancer of the lymph nodes: Angioimmunoblastic Lymphadenopathy
14. Multiple Myeloma
15. Myelodysplasia
16. Breast Cancer
17. Neuroblastoma
18. Renal Cell Carcinoma
19. Various Solid Tumors
20. Soft Tissue Sarcoma
21. Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia
22. Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis
23. POEMS syndrome

AUTO-IMMUNE DISEASES

24. Multiple Sclerosis
25. Crohn's Disease
26. Scleromyxedema
27. Scleroderma
28. Rheumatoid Arthritis
29. Juvenile Arthritis
30. Systemic Lupus
31. Polychondritis
32. Sjogren's Syndrome
33. Behcet's Disease
34. Myasthenia
35. Autoimmune Cytopenia
36. Systemic vasculitis
37. Alopecia universalis

CARDIOVASCULAR

38. Heart damage

OCULAR

39. Corneal regeneration

IMMUNODEFICIENCIES

40. X-Linked hyper immunoglobuline-M Syndrome
41. Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Syndrome
42. X-linked lymphoproliferative syndrome

NEURAL DEGENERATIVE DISEASES/INJURIES

43. Parkinson's disease
44. Spinal cord injury
45. Stroke damage

ANEMIAS/BLOOD CONDITIONS

46. Sickle cell anemia
47. Sideroblastic anemia
48. Aplastic Anemia
49. Amegakaryocytic Thrombocytopenia
50. Chronic Epstein-Barr Infection
51. Fanconi's Anemia
52. Diamond Blackfan Anemia
53. Thalassemia Major
54. Red cell aplasia
55. Primary Amyloidosis

WOUNDS/INJURIES

56. Limb gangrene
57. Surface wound healing
58. Jawbone replacement
59. Skull bone repair

OTHER METABOLIC DISORDERS

60. Osteogenesis imperfecta
61. Sandhoff disease
62. Hurler's syndrome
63. Krabbe Leukodystrophy
64. Osteopetrosis
65. Cerebral X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy

Embryonic Stem Cells

For references, see http://www.stemcellresearch.org/facts/asc-refs.pdf

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE Newsletter

Pro-Life = Pro-Active!

March 2006

Dear Pro-Life Friends:

BIG NEWS! In February, the Supreme Court agreed to take another look at the brutal practice of partial-birth abortion. This action comes six years after the Court's much criticized 2000 ruling that Roe v. Wade protects this heinous practice.

In 2003, Congress approved and President Bush signed a national law, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act. The federal law bans "partial-birth abortion" which is defined in the law itself as any abortion in which the baby is delivered past it's navel . . .outside the body of the mother or in the case of a head-first presentation, the entire fetal head is outside the body of the mother - BEFORE being killed. The law would allow the method if it was ever necessary to save a mother's life.

Since then, three different federal courts of appeals have ruled that the federal law conflicts with the 2000 Supreme Court decision and they have blocked enforcement of the law. Today, the Supreme Court agreed to review the first of those appeals court rulings, a July 2005 ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (Gonzales v. Carhart). We expect the Court to hear arguments on this case in October and we are cautiously optimistic that the outcome will finally put a stop to this brutal procedure.

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Things are starting to pick up on the political front. Candidates running for state and federal office are required to file by March 15th and we're on the job trying to obtain direct comments from the candidates regarding their political positions on Life Issues. As you may be aware…it's not easy getting any politician to speak frankly or directly about their stated positions so we'll do everything we can to quantify and qualify their responses. Our goal is to provide you with the information you need to make an informed choice in the voting booth this fall and we'll be able to throw the full support of MRLC behind candidates that are Pro-Life.

We've had a couple of inquiries regarding our membership database and would like to assure you, that MRLC will not publish, rent or share our membership information. Regarding newsletter inquiries please be aware that in order to continue receiving the MRLC Monthly Newsletter, you must be a current Maine Right to Life Member. Our objective in maintaining this policy is to assure that our members - not our adversaries - are the only group to receive this publication. Therefore if you haven't already done so, please take a moment to renew your membership today.

On the move…MRLC is moving to Auburn! On April 1st MRLC will be moving to new office space in Auburn. Effective April 3, 2006 our new address will be: Two Great Falls Plaza, Auburn, ME 04210. We will not be able to publish our new phone number until after the move - phone companies will no longer pre-publish this information until after the actual installation. However, if you call our current phone number, you'll be given our new number after the switch.

Carl Maddaleni, without whom this program would not exist, reports that **Maine Vitae Society** is in the third month of its current TV campaign that began in January. It is airing 3,500 thirty-second commercials on all the major broadcast channels as well as selective cable channels in the Portland, Bangor and Presque Isle markets. This is the eighth year that Maine Vitae Society has been on the air with these effective ads. Including the current campaign this advertising arm of Maine Right to Life has educated the public with over 23,000 commercials since 1999.

Maine Vitae Society's relatively new program to reach young people more effectively on the Internet is roaring ahead at full speed. Its promotion of **Teenbreaks.com** produced 867 visits from Maine teenagers during the month of January, our latest figures available. The visits lasted an average of 13 minutes, which allowed the viewer to absorb a tremendous amount of information on abortion and related subjects. This one on one presentation gave the teenager a chance to read true stories from girls who had abortions and voiced their sad regrets as well as other girls who carried their babies to term with more joyful endings. Other segments provided graphic photos of the true nature of abortion and a more happy collection of stories from girls who offered their babies up for adoption.

Our Annual Mother's Day Carnation Event is moving forward and on schedule for the weekend of May 13th & 14th. Please support our work by signing up for volunteer opportunities and help us make this year's fundraiser another success. Email us at info@mainerighttolife.com or call us at 622-3837 for information on purchasing carnations for your church or organization! The time to get this program started with your group is right now!

The ED CORNER…each month we'll provide helpful facts and information that you can use to become better equipped to argue and defend the Pro-Life position. With each newsletter, you'll become more comfortable arguing against the aging misinformation that our adversaries continue to spout.

Argument 1: It's not a human being/person

- Do not impose religion on me
- A fetus is only a potential human being
- It is not a person, it has no meaningful life
- It is not a baby
- Life begins at birth
- Fetus is just part of the woman's body

Response: Science proves that from conception the baby is a unique new human being. The baby has a heartbeat at approximately 18 days and brain waves as early as six weeks or about 42 days.

More detail . . . . . Science tells us that the new life a woman carries is a complete and fully new or unique human being from the moment of fertilization. By the time most abortions can be performed, the baby already has a beating heart and identifiable brain waves. **The baby living in her mother is as distinct and unique a new person/human being as you are from me, and as deserving of protection under the law as we are.**

The baby every mother carries as she faces a life and death decision has a beating heart at about 18 days after fertilization and brain waves as early as six weeks after fertilization. Most abortions are not performed until nine weeks of the pregnancy.

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PRO-LIFE = PRO-ACTIVE!

Become an ACTIVE VOLUNTEER in the Pro-Life Movement! MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE has volunteer opportunities to accommodate your schedule and your skills. We have volunteer opportunities to work as few as a couple of hours per month as well as opportunities for people who can contribute a few hours per day. We have regular project work as well as intermittent Action Alert projects assigned on an as needed basis. We have options for people at all skill levels. We also have the following Team Leader position openings:

Volunteer Team Leader - Recruit, organize and manage our volunteer network - requires strong organization skills and good people skills.

Research Team Leader - Research legislative voting records, manage candidate position surveys and the ability to talk with people from all walks of life - requires ability to navigate the internet and direct other volunteers to complete required tasks.

Convention Team Leader - Complete Project Overview and Management of our Annual Convention. Requires the ability to negotiate with potential speakers, hotel event managers, food service people, advertisers, printers, and other vendors.

Chapter Team Leader - Coordinate Chapter Activities to broaden effectiveness of statewide campaigns. Develop working relationships with Chapter Leaders and members. Assist local people in developing new chapters.

Mother's Day Carnation Project Team Leader - This is a very important fundraising campaign for MRLC. It requires good organizational skills and volunteer coordination. It requires the skill to successfully obtain support from churches, organizations and groups who have participated in the past and the ability to seek and obtain additional participation by new churches, organizations or groups who have not previously participated.

The majority of our support comes from volunteers who simply want to pitch in and help in any way they can to promote a Culture of Life. Become an ACTIVE participant in the Pro-Life Movement today!

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M A I N E RIGHT to LIFE COMMITTEE *Newsletter*

2005 - A Year of Change . . . .

January, 2006

2005 will be remembered as a year of **transition and change.** Early this year we launched a **new web page** that offers visitors' quick access to all of Maine's pregnancy resource centers, it brings current news and views on a state and national level, and it provides factual information to assist you in educating your peers on life issues. If you haven't already submitted your email to be on the list for our grassfire alerts —please do so at www.MaineRightToLife.com.

Unfortunately, 2005 will go into the records as **a difficult fundraising year** for us and for most non-profits—due to extensive fundraising and relief efforts necessary to support victims of natural disasters. Maine Right to Life depends on the generous contributions of our members and we hope to see our membership grow in 2006!

Hands Around the Capital was very well attended in 2005 and is one of the more visible events that we sponsor. This event, where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade, provides an intense impact on those who witness the march. We hope to continually grow participation in this event and make a greater statement with our presence in 2006. This is the perfect opportunity to show our legislators that we are a force to be dealt with. Please mark your calendars to be there on January 14th, 2006.

Our **Annual Mother's Day Carnation Event** was a great success in 2005 and is on the schedule again for 2006! What a delightful way to say thank you and to recognize our mother's ultimate gift, while at the same time—raising funds to promote life! This project requires vast numbers of volunteers; we sincerely appreciate all your hard work and dedication and look forward to a successful campaign in 2006.

Our **Annual Convention** in October featured Dr. Alveda King as our keynote speaker. It was moving to hear Dr. King discuss her experiences regarding abortion and her pro-life ministry of healing. Dr. King works together with Dr. Frank Pavone of Priests for Life. During the convention, Ray and Claire Sergent of the Maine State Knights of Columbus presented Maine Right to Life with a substantial contribution representing their tremendous success in selling raffle tickets on behalf of the Maine Right to Life Committee. We sincerely appreciate their generosity and dedication to the pro-life cause!

Maine Vitae Society, the advertising arm of Maine Right to Life, had another banner year in 2005 broadcasting almost 4,500 thirty-second TV commercials in the TV markets of Portland/Auburn, Bangor and Presque Isle. Since its initial campaign in 1999, Maine Vitae Society has aired approximately 20,000 TV spots throughout the state. In July of 2005, Maine Vitae Society also began promotion of the new website**, www.Teenbreaks.com** in the state. The site is aimed at "Generation Y" (ages 13-23). By year-end Maine youth were clicking onto this nationally proclaimed pro-life site in impressive numbers. The site does an outstanding job in educating young people to the truth about abortion including graphic abortion photos as well encouraging them to a more wholesome, self-respecting lifestyle. Maine Vitae Society will continue this combined **TV/Internet** educational campaign in 2006.

Finally, we want to recognize the **contributions** of former MRLC employees who moved on in 2005.

Michelle Truman has been a stanch advocate for the unborn and a tireless defender of Life. She has served MRLC faithfully for the past several years as the office manager and her cheerful passion for the cause has always been evident. She has also served as assistant editor of the newsletter as well as coordinator and emcee for many of our public events. In addition, Michelle initiated the formation of a very active and successful local chapter and was instrumental in organizing Teens 4 Truth, which encouraged many youths to become involved in right to life issues. We wish to thank her for her selfless dedication to MRLC and wish her many blessings in her future endeavors.

Patricia Berube joined MRLC in the fall of 2004 as an Office Assistant after enjoying a wide range of business experience including serving on the staff of Priests for Life in Staten Island, NY. A graduate of Andover College with a degree in Computer Science, Patricia brought outstanding computer experience to MRLC and was instrumental in upgrading our computer systems. We were saddened to learn of her desire to resign the position in October in order to pursue other opportunities more in line with her deeply felt spiritual desires. She has offered to help us as a volunteer until her long-term plans are finalized. We are grateful for her wonderful contributions to MRLC during her too brief a stay but wish her the very best in the future.

Lisa Roche, Esq. is an energetic and passionate Pro-Life worker. Her ability to engage leaders in a conversation about common goals to promote a life affirming culture in Maine is well respected. No one has been more tireless than this young wife and mother who traveled between York and Augusta to build the Maine Right to Life Committee. We wish her and her family all the best. Thank you Lisa!

2006 . . . . New People

Rita Feeney was elected Executive Director for the Maine Right to Life Committee in November. Rita, a Board Member, comes to us with an extensive business management & operations background and with a passionate desire to promote the Pro-Life cause. In addition to streamlining operations and processes, Rita's primary objective for 2006 will be Chapter Outreach and expansion and will strive to get members more involved in projects and programs throughout the year. Rita and her husband Dan reside in North Yarmouth, have been married for 29 years, and have three daughters and five active grandchildren.

Louise Geoffroy was hired in November to be our Office Manager. Louise is likely a very familiar face to many of you who have seen her at the Hands Around the Capital event and at our Conventions. Louise graduated with a degree in Theology from the Franciscan University of Steubenville, and is currently completing classes for a Master's in Library and Information Sciences. Louise comes to us from Bates College where she worked in the Office of College Advancements. Louise and her husband Bruce are the happy owners of a bright red New Beetle named Ladybug and enjoy being members of the Vacationland Volkswagen Association and attending car shows.

2006 . . . Calendar*

January - April - Maine Vitae - Major TV Ad Campaign

January 14, 2006 - Hands Around the Capital

January 21 - 24, 2006 - 33rd Annual March for Life - Washington, D.C.

May 14, 2006 - Mother's Day Carnation Project

July - September, 2006 - MRLC Annual Raffle

October 2, 2006 - Respect Life Sunday - Life Chains

October 21, 2006 - MRLC Annual Convention

*Keep checking our website for Calendar updates!

Maine Right to Life Committee is looking for additional Board Members who will actively participate on the Committee and who will commit to uphold the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

The Maine Right to Life Committee (MRLC) is the state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect and uphold the dignity and worth of each human life from conception to natural death, by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

If interested in serving, please submit a letter of interest to–

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APRIL 2005 ~ IN MEMORY OF TERRI SCHIAVO

JUDGES BY REV. FRANK PAVONE

The Constitution of the United States places the responsibility for writing laws in the hands of elected lawmakers. These men and women serve in the State legislatures and in the United States Congress. They are accountable to the voters who put them into office and who can remove them from office. They are to represent the voters as they craft and pass legislation that represents the will of the people.

Meanwhile, however, key aspects of public policy that contradict the will of the majority of Americans have, over the last several decades, been imposed upon us by another branch of government, the Judiciary. Unelected Federal judges, who are not accountable to voters and who serve for life, have given us policies that ban prayer and Bible-reading in public schools, that allows abortion-on-demand throughout pregnancy, and that remove more and more moral boundaries to perverse sexual behavior.

In the Elections of 2004, many voters made their choice for President and for their US Senators based on their view of the proper role of judges, namely, to apply the law rather than write their own opinions into law. Now, the President and the US Senate have a joint, solemn obligation to fill the many vacancies in the Federal judiciary. The President presents nominees; the Senate votes to confirm them by a simple majority.

In the past four years, we have seen an unprecedented and unconstitutional effort by pro-abortion Democrats in the Senate to block well-qualified nominees who enjoyed the support of the majority of the Senators. The blocking was done by filibuster -- that is, a technique of prolonging debate indefinitely, and hence preventing a final vote. The filibuster is a tool that can be used to block legislation, but here it is being used to block judicial nominees. Meanwhile, many courts remain vacant. The motive for these filibusters has been that many of these nominees are considered too religious and too pro-life.

Now the question is whether we will see the same behavior in this new Congress, especially with the prospect of Supreme Court vacancies on the horizon, and whether the Senate will act to prevent the filibusters. Contact your US Senators and demand that the Senate prevent the filibusters of judicial nominees. Tell your Senator you want to see an up-or-down vote on each of the President's nominees, without anti-religious bias. If a Senator opposes a nominee of the President, then let the Senator vote against that nominee. Let those who favor the nominee vote in favor. The point is, let there be a vote, and let the process work like the Constitution says it should.

FREEDOM OF CHOICE ACT

Maine has created additional protections for abortion rights, by adding an affirmative "right to choose" into its state law. This law ensures access to abortions regardless if Roe v. Wade were overturned tomorrow. "It is the public policy of the State that the State not restrict a woman's exercise of her private decision to terminate a pregnancy before viability except as provided in section 1597-A [Maine's young women's access law]." Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 22, § 1598(1) (Enacted 1979; Last Amended 1993).

DID YOU KNOW:

- *Life Endangerment is defined that the medical judgment may be exercised in the light of all factors - physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age - relevant to the wellbeing of the patient. All these factors may relate to health. (Source: Doe v. Bolton, 1973; available on-line at www.findlaw.com under U.S. Supreme Court.)*
- *The abortion clinics in Maine are not regulated. Currently, Maine does not license abortion clinics, nor does the state require that clinics meet* ***minimum*** *health and safety standards (Americans United for Life)*
- *On March 3, 2004, Maine enacted a law allowing a licensed pharmacist who has completed special training, and who has developed a standardized protocol in consultation with a physician or licensed prescriber to dispense so-called "emergency contraception" without a prescription and without the direct involvement of a physician. (Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, §§ 13821-13825)*
- *Pro Choice America gives Maine a grade "A" for their abortion laws (www.prochoiceamerica.org)*

MAINE RIGHT to LIFE COMMITTEE *Newsletter*

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February, 2006

Dear Pro-Life Friends:

January will go down as a busy month for Pro-Life activity around the country and also right here in Maine. Our Annual **Hands Around the Capitol** Memorial was a resounding success this year with approximately 350 people in attendance! This event is where **Maine** Pro-Life advocates publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness the solemn march.

This year's program included a Memorial Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Western Avenue in Augusta celebrated by Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Henchal and Father Phillips of St. Mary's. Pastor Daniel McNutt of the Boothbay Baptist Church, Senate Minority Leader Paul Davis and State Representative Richard Cebra all gave heartfelt speeches on the impact of abortion since Roe v. Wade and encouraged listeners to motivate others to get active in the movement. Maine Right to Life Board Member Carl Maddaleni provided an update on the continued success and impact of Maine Vitae Society's advertisements and support of www.TeenBreaks.com.

Participants braved strong winds and rain while marching from St. Mary's to the Capitol where they surrounded the building hand to hand. The Capitol bell was rung 33 times in memory of the millions of innocent lives that have been lost to abortion since Roe v. Wade. 300 roses were left on the Capitol grounds to remind Legislators of the event and to encourage them to support a Culture of Life.

National Right to Life . . . . On January 20th, I went to Washington DC to participate in the National Right to Life January Board meeting. As the National Director I had the distinct pleasure of meeting with The Executive Committee who discussed past and current legislation, the political landscape and things to watch and work on in the upcoming year. The greatest benefit for me was the opportunity to network with other State Directors. We discussed how other states successfully work with and support their state chapters to educate others and promote a Culture of Life.

March for Life . . . .after the National meeting I met up with Louise Geoffroy, Maine Right to Life's Office Manager, who arrived in Washington DC on the bus coming from St. Louis Parish in Fort Kent, Maine. Carolyn Bouchard, our bus captain, graciously organized stops in Waterville, where Maine Right to Life Board member Janet LeBlanc jumped on, and in Lewiston, Portland and York. Father Paul Labree from Fort Kent was on hand to keep everyone organized and focused! Another Youth bus, lead by Pam Rousseau and Father Paul Dumais left from Waterville on Sunday and met us in Washington DC. Bishop Richard Malone was also present for the March and concelebrated a Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

The Rally and Mass at the MCI Center was filled to capacity (25,000) and amazing. It was estimated that a minimum of 2,000 others had to be turned away. It was clear that Rally participants are very faithful to the Pro-Life Movement and will stay true to the Pro-Life cause

for the rest of their lives. The Knights of Columbus, represented by State Deputy Dale Voisine generously donated funds to defray bus rental costs and make the trip more affordable for those who attended. Claire & Ray Sargent of the Knights of Columbus lead the Maine contingent under the Knights of Columbus banner.

The March itself was phenomenal. I would conservatively estimate at least 200,000 participants. We met up with other groups from Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and from around the country. I would strongly encourage you to attend the March for Life in 2007. Maine Right to Life will assist future trip organizers by coordinating and publishing this event for next year and we'll also get information out to you early in 2006 so you can better prepare for January 2007. Consider paying the expenses of this trip - which continue to be very inexpensive - for a birthday, graduation or Christmas gift! More on that at a later date!

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February 2006 is Maine Right to Life's Chapter Outreach Month! For those of you involved in local chapters, or if you'd like to be involved in or start a local chapter in your own town, this is the month to get started and prepare for the upcoming challenges in 2006. I'll be calling all our chapters to connect and re-establish a firm and supportive relationship so that together, we can promote a Culture of Life. I look forward to chatting with you very soon.

Best possible regards,

Rita Feeney
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AUGUST 2005

ANALYSIS OF UNITED STATES ABORTION STATISTICS*

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBERS OF ABORTIONS, 1980 TO 2000: 1,517,290 (100%)

CHARACTERISTICS OF ABORTING WOMEN

Marital Status

Unmarried	1,215,350	(80.1%)
Married	301,940	(19.9%)

Percentage of Pregnancies Aborted

Total	28.4%
Married	9.7%
Unmarried	54.9%

Prior Legal Abortions (1998 figures)

None	594,500	(43.4%)
One	431,300	(31.5%)
Two	212,300	(15.5%)
Three or more	131,500	(9.6%)
Total repeaters	775,100	(56.6%)

Race

White	983,200	(64.8%)
Minority	534,090	(35.2%)

Age

Under 15	15,170	(1.0%)
15 to 17	157,800	(10.4%)
18 to 19	227,590	(15.0%)
20 to 24	512,850	(33.8%)
25 to 29	318,630	(21.0%)
30 to 34	177,520	(11.7%)
35 to 39	84,970	(5.6%)
40 and over	22,760	(1.5%)

Prior Births

None	826,930	(54.5%)
One	333,800	(22.0%)
Two	230,630	(15.2%)
Three	83,450	(5.5%)
Four or more	42,480	(2.8%)

CONTRACEPTIVE USE

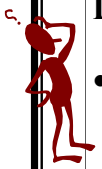
Women not using contraception (abortion as birth control)	644,850	(42.5%)
Failed contraception	872,440	(57.5%)

WHEN ABORTIONS WERE COMMITTED

To 10 weeks	1,177,420	(77.6%)
11 to 20 weeks	330,700	(21.8%)
21 or more weeks	9,100	(.6%)

THE "HARD CASES"

Mother's life or health	5,460	(0.36%)
For rape and incest	1,420	(0.09%)
For fetal birth defects	3,640	(0.24%)
Total "hard-cases"	**10,520**	**(0.69%)**
Non-therapeutic ("lifestyle") abortions	**1,506,770**	**(99.31%)**



DID YOU KNOW:

- *The widespread availability of contraception does not, as sex educators & school-based clinic advocates assert, lead to decreased abortions, because 57.5% of all women who abort were using contraception when they conceived.**
- *Millions of women use abortion as a birth control in the US. More than 40% of women who abort were not using any kind of contraception when they became pregnant; more than half of all women who abort have had abortions before; and nearly 10% of women who abort have had at least three abortions before.**

*Brian Clowes, PhD. *The Facts of Life*. Virginia: Human Life International, 2001, p339, 340

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Unmarried	1,215,350	(80.1%)
Married	301,940	(19.9%)

Percentage of Pregnancies Aborted

Total	28.4%
Married	9.7%
Unmarried	54.9%

Prior Legal Abortions (1998 figures)

None	594,500	(43.4%)
One	431,300	(31.5%)
Two	212,300	(15.5%)
Three or more	131,500	(9.6%)
Total repeaters	775,100	(56.6%)

Race

White	983,200	(64.8%)
Minority	534,090	(35.2%)

Age

Under 15	15,170	(1.0%)
15 to 17	157,800	(10.4%)
18 to 19	227,590	(15.0%)
20 to 24	512,850	(33.8%)
25 to 29	318,630	(21.0%)
30 to 34	177,520	(11.7%)
35 to 39	84,970	(5.6%)
40 and over	22,760	(1.5%)

Prior Births

None	826,930	(54.5%)
One	333,800	(22.0%)
Two	230,630	(15.2%)
Three	83,450	(5.5%)
Four or more	42,480	(2.8%)

CONTRACEPTIVE USE

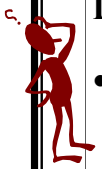
Women not using contraception (abortion as birth control)	644,850	(42.5%)
Failed contraception	872,440	(57.5%)

WHEN ABORTIONS WERE COMMITTED

To 10 weeks	1,177,420	(77.6%)
11 to 20 weeks	330,700	(21.8%)
21 or more weeks	9,100	(.6%)

THE "HARD CASES"

Mother's life or health	5,460	(0.36%)
For rape and incest	1,420	(0.09%)
For fetal birth defects	3,640	(0.24%)
Total "hard-cases"	**10,520**	**(0.69%)**
Non-therapeutic ("lifestyle") abortions	**1,506,770**	**(99.31%)**



DID YOU KNOW:

- *The widespread availability of contraception does not, as sex educators & school-based clinic advocates assert, lead to decreased abortions, because 57.5% of all women who abort were using contraception when they conceived.**
- *Millions of women use abortion as a birth control in the US. More than 40% of women who abort were not using any kind of contraception when they became pregnant; more than half of all women who abort have had abortions before; and nearly 10% of women who abort have had at least three abortions before.**

*Brian Clowes, PhD. *The Facts of Life*. Virginia: Human Life International, 2001, p339, 340

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Dear Pro-Life Friends:

We made our move from 8 Green Street in Augusta to Two Great Falls Plaza in Auburn on April 1st. Our new address and contact information is:

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Please join us for our Open House on Thursday, June 15th in our new office! Drop by any time between 2:00 & 8:00 p.m. to say hello and get acquainted with other MRLC Members and Pro-Life Community Leaders! We hope you can join us! NOTE: This date has changed from original posting.

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We need your help! From time to time, we email our members regarding important pro-life Action Alerts. Action Alerts are used to get the word out to our members that we need immediate action from you in contacting elected officials either at the local, state or federal level. These action alerts allow us to express our pro-life position on current legislation or on issues that will ultimately affect the pro-life cause. Unfortunately, we're seeing more and more email addresses rejected because we have old information which limits the impact of our Action Alerts. Please **contact us immediately** to clarify your email address so we can effectively use this valuable tool in the pro-life cause. **We will not share your email address** with any other group or organization. Simply email your address to us at info@mainerighttolife.com or call us at 207-782-0101.

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Carl J. Maddaleni is our featured writer for this month's Newsletter. Carl writes…

The pro-life movement has seen some promising news of late. Most prominent is the continuing downward trend in the number of abortions. Nationally the numbers are down 14% from their peak and here in Maine they're down a whopping 50%. In addition to that encouraging trend, is the feeling that more truth about abortions is getting out even in the mainstream media. For example, in recent weeks there has been increased publicity about 6 deaths here in the U.S. attributed to RU-486 and Planned Parenthood's involvement.

This trend in truth is not only continuing but seems to be gathering some steam. In the RU-486 case, 20 scientists will convene in Atlanta at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on May 11th to look into the connection between the effects of RU-486 and the presence of deadly bacteria in the women's blood stream. An FDA official told the N.Y. Times that security will be unusually tight because some abortion activists have issued threats against those speaking out.

In the Portland Press Herald of February 13th, there appeared a prominent article about the significant increase in the number of adoptions of Down syndrome babies. Not only is this life-affirming shift in attitude encouraging, it is also somewhat amazing. It was only several years ago that it was reported that the vast majority of pre-borns diagnosed with this affliction were routinely aborted.

Also in the Portland Press Herald on December 20, 2005, there was a feature article about the increase in the number of American women with unplanned pregnancies who were bringing their babies to term rather than aborting. The information came from the National Center for Health Statistics which surveyed 7,643 U.S. women aged 15-44. The increase was a modest 5% over the seven year period, but it indicated a clearly defined pro-life shift.

Among young people, a recent Hamilton College poll of high school seniors confirmed that the pro-life trend is for real. It found that 70% of females in the class of 2006 would not consider abortion if they became pregnant. Some 67% said that abortion is morally wrong and only 13% said that they would counsel a pregnant friend to have an abortion; 69% of the senior boys said that they would never want their girl friends to consider an abortion.

Another new and revealing poll, and somewhat surprising if you only read the local media, is the poll regarding abstinence by the Harris Co. It showed that a clear majority o those aged 18-29 believe that abstinence education programs are effective in reducing the number of unwanted pregnancies and the rates of HIV and AIDS. A Washington Times story highlighted the striking difference between younger and older adults in the poll. "Those under 30 are more likely to believe that abstinence programs are effective and, of course, it is this age group that is the main target for these programs."

In New Zealand Professor David M. Fergusson, director of the longitudinal Christchurch Health and Development Study, released a short time ago the results of a 25 year study that confirmed that young women who have had an abortion subsequently experience elevated rates of suicidal behavior, depression, substance abuse, anxiety and other mental problems. When he presented the findings to New Zealand's Abortion Supervisory Committee, it told Professor Ferguson that it would be "undesirable to publish the results in their unclarified state."

Professor Fergusson responded that it would be "scientifically irresponsible" to suppress the findings simply because they touched on an explosive political issue. In an interview, he insisted that, "I remain pro-choice. I am not religious, I am an atheist and a rationalist…the results appear to be very robust because they persist across a series of disorders and a series of ages…abortion is a traumatic life event, that is, it involves loss, it involves grief, it involves difficulties. And the trauma may, in fact, predispose people to mental illness."

Despite the committee's attempted stonewalling, the study has received significant publicity and attention. In this country, it was introduced into the official record at the senate confirmation hearings of Supreme Court Justice, Samuel Alito. Rep. Mark Souder (R-IN) has asked the National Institute of Health about what efforts it is taking to confirm or refute Professor Fergusson's study.

If anyone needs further evidence that the pro-life movement is gaining momentum and that pro-abortion forces are clearly disturbed, one need only to recall the Senate confirmation hears of Judge Alito. Some of the questioning from the abortion supporting Senators bordered on the absurd and insulting. It suggested almost a sense of desperation. Even the mainstream media commented on it.

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Argument 2: A Woman has the right to control her own body.

The short answer is: Every mother is faced with profound decisions to make for herself and her child but these decisions can never include the right to kill her baby. Mothers facing difficult pregnancies require accurate and compassionate information about the facts of fetal development as well as the practical help that is available to them through the more than 3,000 mother helping centers around the USA. Mothers have a right to be fully informed about the facts at least 24 hours before making this life or death decision for themselves and their child.

A detailed explanation can be found in excerpts from the following article - originally published in 1998
By Olivia Gans and Mary Spaulding Balch, J.D.

The underlying premise to the many arguments that fall within this category - - that "a woman has a right to control her own body" - - is that it would be unfair to the mother to "force" her to carry her unborn child to term. Therefore, it should be her decision alone to decide whether her unborn child lives or dies.

The argument unfolds in roughly this fashion. It would be "unjust" to require the mother to carry her baby to term because it would require her to quit school, abandon her career, suffer for the rest of her life never knowing where her child was if she placed the child for adoption, or face the stigma of "unwed" motherhood, or an endless number of other scenarios.

Beyond this basic contention, proponents further claim that the mother has the "right" to privacy, the "right" to choose, and the "right" to equal protection, all of which require a "right" to abortion.

The right to privacy, continues the argument, protects the woman's ability to make personal decisions in private, without the imposition of "Big Brother."

This mode of argument culminates with the conclusion that it is this "freedom of choice" that enables a woman to compete equally with a man.

CONTROLLING ASSUMPTIONS

What is astonishing about this reasoning is the assumption behind each of these "injustices" - - that the only way a pregnant woman can accomplish anything is for her to kill her baby. What is even more incomprehensible is that some women accept this specious reasoning and actually fight to keep the ability to legally kill their unborn child as a claimed "right!"

What is the rhetorical ploy at work here? Abortion supporters compare unfavorably the life of one human being (the unborn child) with the "right" to live without the temporary condition of nine months of pregnancy. The result is that the temporary condition and its inconveniences trumps the child's very right to exist.

When you reach this point, remind your listeners that this way of reasoning threatens everyone's right to life. Determining who shall live and who shall die has become completely arbitrary.

Let's look more closely at the argument that "a woman has the right to control her own body."

Certainly, she has the right to control the use of her arm by choosing to swing her arm. However, that right stops when her arm approaches the tip of my nose.

She may even have the right to scream at the top of her lungs that she hates the movie *Titanic*, but she doesn't have the right to scream "fire" in the crowded theater. Reason and historic experience teaches us that unless we protect the rights of others, our own rights soon diminish as well.

Note also that, as is so often the case, abortion supporters have simply defined the unborn out of existence. Or, more specifically, they contend nobody can know "when human life begins."

An essential part of your response to this family of argument is to remind your audience that it is not a mere opinion that two bodies are involved in this decision but **a scientific fact**. It is important to understand that a surprising number of people have convinced themselves that the unborn child is not a separate human being, meaning the entire focus is on the mother. Shorn of its individual existence, the child is reduced to a "problem" to be eliminated. What is your counter?

Remind your audience that the unborn child is the smallest, least seen among us, and thus, is the most vulnerable. Buttress your appeal to our common humanity with some of the elementary points of embryology. This little human being has a beating heart as early as 18 days, with tiny little fingers and toes.

All her genetic definition of who she is for now and always - - the color of her eyes, her hair, how tall she will grow to be - - was present at the moment of fertilization. Therefore, in every abortion a helpless someone dies.

Answering this argument also allows the pro-lifer to bring attention to the least understood facet of the abortion debate: that most women feel trapped into their abortions. This is a great opportunity to point out that women usually make their decision with little or no accurate information about their pregnancy or knowledge that assistance is available for them from the over 3,000 pro-life mother-helping centers around the country.

We must help people to grasp that women aren't really in control of anything if they do not have the right to know the whole truth before they have an abortion.

Point out that anyone who supports "choice" surely should support an informed choice in this context as well.

Yet, attempts to pass protective legislation insuring that women are given information about risks and alternatives to abortion and scientifically accurate information about the developing unborn child are routinely opposed and challenged by abortion advocates. Only a handful of states have recognized the right of women to be fully informed. There is a real insult to women's intelligence in that fact.

As women, we believe that perhaps the greatest crime committed against women by the legalization of abortion is the ugly idea that our ability to bear children is a punishment or a failure on our part. That notion has sent a message to three generations of women that they must - - at all costs - - reject their own children if they are going to avert failure.

Women have to stop apologizing for the fact that they bear children. Gently but firmly emphasize that, ironically, as long as women give into the expectation that they ought to kill their children in order to get further in this world (that is, compete equally with men), they really are "second-class" citizens.

A major element in much of the rhetoric that is used within this particular category of arguments is the tragic notion that the unborn child is an enemy of her mother. Mother and child are pitted against each other.

We must help our questioners to realize that mother and child are not antagonists but equals who must **both** be protected by law.

The only reasonable perspective is that every human being's life must be protected from the moment of fertilization until natural death. It cannot be subject to the arbitrary whims of others, or soon each of us will find ourselves or our loved ones being defined out of existence.

Finally, the constant rallying cry attendant to this "women must control their own bodies" argument is the clever but evasive rejoinder, "Who decides?" You can point out that the more appropriate question is, "Who dies?"

Since every abortion does in fact stop a beating heart, it is absolutely essential that a just government pass laws to respect the right to life. Slogans like "Keep your laws off my ovaries" are simply a distraction from the power of the truth about the unborn's life. Our elected officials are bound on our behalf to ensure that protection is provided every human being.

Ultimately, the only way to actually protect the mother's rights will be by enforcing laws that secure her child's right to life.

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The Will to Live Project by National Right to Life protects your own life and the lives of your family members when you cannot speak for yourselves. It **names** someone you trust to safeguard your life when you cannot speak for yourself as your "health care agent." It **describes** the treatment you do and do not want to guide your health care agent and physicians. It **protects** your family and health care agent from pressure from health care providers and others by allowing them to prove what you really did want. It **relieves** the agony of decision making for them by making your wishes clear. And finally, it's easy to fill out. Download a FREE copy at www.MaineRightToLife.com. No internet access - no problem - just call us at 207-782-0101 and we'll mail you a copy along with easy to read instructions. Do it today!

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Support Pro-Life Candidates! The June primary is coming up fast. We're starting to see returns from our candidate surveys. Find out if your local candidates have responded and what their position is on pro-life issues. It's very important for us to let candidates know that we support their candidacy when they're pro-life. One way we can do that is to offer to do literature drops, offer to put up lawns signs and even offer to host a neighborhood house party giving the candidate an opportunity to meet more people. Stay informed and vote!

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE Newsletter

Pro-Life = Pro-Active!

March 2006

Dear Pro-Life Friends:

BIG NEWS! In February, the Supreme Court agreed to take another look at the brutal practice of partial-birth abortion. This action comes six years after the Court's much criticized 2000 ruling that Roe v. Wade protects this heinous practice.

In 2003, Congress approved and President Bush signed a national law, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act. The federal law bans "partial-birth abortion" which is defined in the law itself as any abortion in which the baby is delivered past it's navel . . .outside the body of the mother or in the case of a head-first presentation, the entire fetal head is outside the body of the mother - BEFORE being killed. The law would allow the method if it was ever necessary to save a mother's life.

Since then, three different federal courts of appeals have ruled that the federal law conflicts with the 2000 Supreme Court decision and they have blocked enforcement of the law. Today, the Supreme Court agreed to review the first of those appeals court rulings, a July 2005 ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (Gonzales v. Carhart). We expect the Court to hear arguments on this case in October and we are cautiously optimistic that the outcome will finally put a stop to this brutal procedure.

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Things are starting to pick up on the political front. Candidates running for state and federal office are required to file by March 15th and we're on the job trying to obtain direct comments from the candidates regarding their political positions on Life Issues. As you may be aware…it's not easy getting any politician to speak frankly or directly about their stated positions so we'll do everything we can to quantify and qualify their responses. Our goal is to provide you with the information you need to make an informed choice in the voting booth this fall and we'll be able to throw the full support of MRLC behind candidates that are Pro-Life.

We've had a couple of inquiries regarding our membership database and would like to assure you, that MRLC will not publish, rent or share our membership information. Regarding newsletter inquiries please be aware that in order to continue receiving the MRLC Monthly Newsletter, you must be a current Maine Right to Life Member. Our objective in maintaining this policy is to assure that our members - not our adversaries - are the only group to receive this publication. Therefore if you haven't already done so, please take a moment to renew your membership today.

On the move…MRLC is moving to Auburn! On April 1st MRLC will be moving to new office space in Auburn. Effective April 3, 2006 our new address will be: Two Great Falls Plaza, Auburn, ME 04210. We will not be able to publish our new phone number until after the move - phone companies will no longer pre-publish this information until after the actual installation. However, if you call our current phone number, you'll be given our new number after the switch.

Carl Maddaleni, without whom this program would not exist, reports that **Maine Vitae Society** is in the third month of its current TV campaign that began in January. It is airing 3,500 thirty-second commercials on all the major broadcast channels as well as selective cable channels in the Portland, Bangor and Presque Isle markets. This is the eighth year that Maine Vitae Society has been on the air with these effective ads. Including the current campaign this advertising arm of Maine Right to Life has educated the public with over 23,000 commercials since 1999.

Maine Vitae Society's relatively new program to reach young people more effectively on the Internet is roaring ahead at full speed. Its promotion of **Teenbreaks.com** produced 867 visits from Maine teenagers during the month of January, our latest figures available. The visits lasted an average of 13 minutes, which allowed the viewer to absorb a tremendous amount of information on abortion and related subjects. This one on one presentation gave the teenager a chance to read true stories from girls who had abortions and voiced their sad regrets as well as other girls who carried their babies to term with more joyful endings. Other segments provided graphic photos of the true nature of abortion and a more happy collection of stories from girls who offered their babies up for adoption.

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Argument 1: It's not a human being/person

- Do not impose religion on me
- A fetus is only a potential human being
- It is not a person, it has no meaningful life
- It is not a baby
- Life begins at birth
- Fetus is just part of the woman's body

Response: Science proves that from conception the baby is a unique new human being. The baby has a heartbeat at approximately 18 days and brain waves as early as six weeks or about 42 days.

More detail . . . . . Science tells us that the new life a woman carries is a complete and fully new or unique human being from the moment of fertilization. By the time most abortions can be performed, the baby already has a beating heart and identifiable brain waves. **The baby living in her mother is as distinct and unique a new person/human being as you are from me, and as deserving of protection under the law as we are.**

The baby every mother carries as she faces a life and death decision has a beating heart at about 18 days after fertilization and brain waves as early as six weeks after fertilization. Most abortions are not performed until nine weeks of the pregnancy.

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PRO-LIFE = PRO-ACTIVE!

Become an ACTIVE VOLUNTEER in the Pro-Life Movement! MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE has volunteer opportunities to accommodate your schedule and your skills. We have volunteer opportunities to work as few as a couple of hours per month as well as opportunities for people who can contribute a few hours per day. We have regular project work as well as intermittent Action Alert projects assigned on an as needed basis. We have options for people at all skill levels. We also have the following Team Leader position openings:

Volunteer Team Leader - Recruit, organize and manage our volunteer network - requires strong organization skills and good people skills.

Research Team Leader - Research legislative voting records, manage candidate position surveys and the ability to talk with people from all walks of life - requires ability to navigate the internet and direct other volunteers to complete required tasks.

Convention Team Leader - Complete Project Overview and Management of our Annual Convention. Requires the ability to negotiate with potential speakers, hotel event managers, food service people, advertisers, printers, and other vendors.

Chapter Team Leader - Coordinate Chapter Activities to broaden effectiveness of statewide campaigns. Develop working relationships with Chapter Leaders and members. Assist local people in developing new chapters.

Mother's Day Carnation Project Team Leader - This is a very important fundraising campaign for MRLC. It requires good organizational skills and volunteer coordination. It requires the skill to successfully obtain support from churches, organizations and groups who have participated in the past and the ability to seek and obtain additional participation by new churches, organizations or groups who have not previously participated.

The majority of our support comes from volunteers who simply want to pitch in and help in any way they can to promote a Culture of Life. Become an ACTIVE participant in the Pro-Life Movement today!

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52. Diamond Blackfan Anemia
53. Thalassemia Major
54. Red cell aplasia
55. Primary Amyloidosis

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MRLC Interview with Paul LePage—

"I believe that all human life is sacred, including our unborn children."

Paul LePage
Republican
Gubernatorial
Candidate

MRLC: Why do you consider yourself Pro-LIFE?

LePage: I'm Pro-Life because I believe that all human life is sacred, including our unborn children. I love kids. Every kid deserves to have life. I would have 20 kids if I could.

MRLC: Some candidates have purported to be Pro-Life *prior* to the election…only to vote *against* the Life Issues once elected. How do you respond to that?

LePage: A lot of politicians say one thing and do another. My word is my bond. I believe in honesty and integrity. The only thing we have in life is our character.

MRLC: How would you describe yourself in Pro-Life terms?

LePage: I practice what I preach. I love being a Dad and I think I'm a good Dad.

MRLC: As Governor, what will you do to assist Maine women who are facing an unexpected pregnancy, who are alone, and feel scared?

LePage: I would promote organizations like the "Little Wanderers" here in Waterville and other Centers that help pregnant women and Maine children in need.

MRLC: Our membership believes in the dignity of all human life, from conception to natural death. What is your position on Physician Assisted Suicide?

LePage: I am opposed to legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide. I don't think any doctor should write prescriptions so their patients can kill themselves.

MRLC: Some of your opponents have blogged that because you are Pro-Life, you would support women having back alley abortions. Some of your opponents have tried to demonize you for your Pro-Life beliefs. How do you respond to that?

LePage: That's insane. Anyone who thinks that is insane.

MRLC: For our members, being Pro-Life is not just being "*against* abortion, etc." Rather, being Pro-Life is an ongoing, **pro-active**, life-affirming lifestyle... Do you consider your life style to embody Pro-Life values? Why?

LePage: Yes... I believe in traditional marriage. I have a wonderful wife and 5 children. One of my children is adopted. The future of our world is dependent on families and children.

MRLC: According to the Gallup Poll conducted May 3-6, 2010, most Americans consider themselves to be "Pro-Life," (51%). Why do you think the Pro-Life message is resonating so strongly with the majority of Americans?

LePage: Frankly, I can't imagine anyone wanting to kill a human being. You love life. You love your family.

MRLC: As Governor, are you willing to work to ensure that timely & thorough abortion statistics are readily available for the people of Maine?

LePage: Sure. Yes, of course.

MRLC: What Pro-Life person do you most admire?

LePage: My wife, Ann-Marie.

MRLC: Would you support legislation requiring Parental Notification for minor-aged children seeking abortion?

LePage: Yes.

MRLC: Would your oppose legislation in which Maine taxpayer dollars are used to fund abortion?

LePage: Yes, of course.

MRLC: As Governor, would you be willing to work towards overturning Obama Care in Maine?

LePage: Absolutely. I am totally opposed to Obama Care; it's unconstitutional, fiscally irresponsible and it hurts the elderly.

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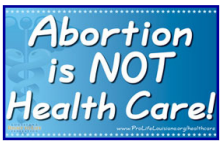

Pro-Life University —

Pro-Life Leaders Grow in Pro-Life Knowledge

Pro-life leaders of all ages, from all parts of Maine, and from all religious denominations gathered at MRLC offices to attend our 1st annual Pro-Life University which was held Aug. 7 and Aug 21. These pro-life leaders were educated in a variety of topics including courses regarding:

Fetal Development (Danae Kershner, CPM)
Alternatives to Abortion (Bruce and Jan Willson, Hope House)
Societal & Physical Effects of Abortion (Teresa Tumidajski, MRLC Executive Director)
Post-Abortive Ministry (Annette Rioux, LMSW and Sandra Thompson, SFO, (Catholic Charities Maine)
Medical Ethics: Embryonic Stem Cells, Cloning, Fetal Tissue (Ron Carroll, MD)
They Say/We Say (Linda Milliken, MRLC Board President)
History of Abortion (Chris Coughlan, MRLC Board Webmaster)
1st Amendment Rights/Advance Directives, Living Wills (Steve Whiting, Esq.)
Sidewalk Counseling (Leslie Sneddon, Operation Rescue ME)
Hospice Care/End of Life Care/Palliative Care (Juliana L'Heureux, BS, RN, MHSA)
How to Affect Pro-Life Legislation (Pastor Bob Emrich, MRLC Board Delegate to NRLC)

Special thanks to our effective Instructors for sharing their talent with the Class. We will be awarding Diplomas to those students who have met or exceeded Pro-Life University requirements at our Fall Convention Oct. 16th. Please join us then, and congratulate the 1st annual Graduating Class of Pro-Life University **in person!** Pro-Life University would not have been possible without the generous assistance of our landlords, Andy Valley Knights of Columbus Council #8742, who donated the use of the Hall for our University.

Attendees of Pro-Life University have already gone forth into their communities equipped with knowledge and resources by which to educate others in the Culture of Life.

Hear more about our pro-active, Pro-Life University students at our MRLC Convention!

Building a Culture of Life in Maine…One Step at a Time

Hundreds of pro-life Mainers from across the state participated in the 3rd Annual "*Celebrate Life! Walk*" on July 10, sponsored by Maine Right to Life to benefit our precious pre- born babies and their moms.

We had joyful pro-lifers of all ages join in the Walk---toddlers…teens…tweens…adults…seniors…RAIN or SHINE… Hundreds were there to support pro-life Maine! We had several Pastors and Priests, Puppies and Doggies, and even a visiting Sister of Life participated!

Thank you to all who supported this wonderful program by Walking, Praying, Pledging and Publicizing this event! Mark your calendar now for next year's Walk which will be held Saturday, July 9, 2011. Please sponsor a Walker or even a Walk for next year!! ***See You Next Year!***

Special Thanks to the following *Celebrate Life! Walk* Leaders who helped support our pregnant moms and their pre-born babies:

Pam Rousseau and Norm & Kim Allard (Lewiston/Auburn)
Frank & Jean Pease (Sanford)
Bob Garrett & Don Albert (Augusta)
Mary M. Ibrahim (Portland)
Judy Pottle & Donna Storer (Jay/Livermore Falls)
Sue L'Hommedieu (South Portland/Cape Elizabeth)
Janet LeBlanc (Fairfield/Waterville)
Kathy Birdsall and Linda Hardy (Bar Harbor/Ellsworth)
Candidate Marc Worrell State Rep District #135 (Biddeford)

Please Join Us October 16!

Maine Right to Life Committee is pleased to announce this year's Keynote Speaker at our annual Convention Oct. 16….Rebecca Kiessling is a product of rape, an international pro-life speaker and an attorney. But most importantly, she is a child of God.

Please join us for an informative, educational and motivational day with pro-life leaders throughout the state including Bishop Richard Malone, Republican Gubernatorial Candidate, Paul LePage, and other pro-life Candidates!

We've all heard someone say:
"I'm pro-life, well, except in cases of rape . . ."
or
"I'm pro-choice, especially in cases of rape!"

"Have you ever considered how really insulting it is to say to someone, "I think your mother should have been able to abort you."? It's like saying, "If I had my way, you'd be dead right now." And that is the reality with which I live every time someone says they are pro-choice or pro-life "except in cases of rape" because I absolutely would have been aborted if it had been legal in Michigan when I was an unborn child, and I can tell you that it hurts. But I know that most people don't put a face to this issue -- for them abortion is just a concept -- with a quick cliché, they sweep it under the rug and forget about it. I do hope that, as a child conceived in rape, I can help to put a face, a voice, and a story to this issue."
-- Rebecca Kiessling

This promises to be a great day for pro-life Maine! Tickets are $25 Adults/$15 Students. A delicious Buffet Luncheon will be provided. Don't miss this opportunity to network with pro-life leaders from all over Maine!

Register Today!
Call 782-0101
www.MaineRightToLife.com

KEYNOTE:
Rebecca Kiessling

"Conceived in Rape--A Story of Hope"

Prayer Vigils in front of Abortion Centers:

PORTLAND
2nd Saturday of each month
9-11AM, Planned Parenthood
970 Forest Ave.
Contact: George Rodrigues
878-8306

AUGUSTA
Every Tuesday & Thursday 9 AM,
Family Planning 43 Gabriel Drive.
Contact: Bob Garrett 547-3006

BANGOR
Wednesdays, weekly @ 9:30 am
Mabel Wadsworth Center
700 Mt. Hope Ave.
Contact: Ron Starable
948-2228 or Melissa 341-0668

VOTE PRO-LIFE

2010 Candidate Survey

November 2nd!

Maine Right to Life Committee has completed a 2010 Candidate Survey. **Our objective in surveying candidates is to ascertain the candidates' positions regarding Life Issues.** We are now in the process of evaluating the responses and results we have received from State Legislative Candidates who are running for office in the November elections.

Our findings will be published later this month on our website, and will be available for distribution in October. We want to inform you of where the candidates stand on the life issues, so that you in turn, can make an educated Vote for Life on November 2nd.

What's Your Pro-Life IQ?

1. What is the content of the book entitled *"Lime 5?"*
2. Name 3 abortion methods.
3. How many abortions have been performed since Roe v. Wade?
4. What is the Alan Guttmacher Institute?
5. Which mid-Western state recently enacted legislation banning abortions at and after 20 weeks of pregnancy AND legislation requiring women to be screened before having abortions for mental health and other problems?
6. Who is the current President of N.O.W.?
7. True or False: Prior to Roe v. Wade, there were thousands of deaths as a result of back-alley abortions.
8. Which organization did Derek Humphry found?

Answers on Page 4…
No cheating!

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Important DATE!

2010

Grieving Service— Portland
September 17, 2010
(207) 773-7746 ext. 103

Concert for Life—
September 25, 2010 — Augusta
(207) 607-3488

October is Respect Life Month!

Life Chains— October 3, 2010

MRLC Convention—
October 16, 2010

VOTE PRO-LIFE!—
November 2, 2010

2011

Hands Around the Capitol—
January 15, 2011—Augusta

March For Life— Washington, DC
January 23-25, 2011

Pro-Life Bikers for Life-- New York

The New York Chapter of Pro-Life Bikers for Life, a pro-life group of motorcyclists, visited Maine last month. Their mission is to preserve human life through prayerful presence in front of abortion centers. These bikers are strong, dedicated and unafraid to defend the precious unborn with every breath in their bodies and with every mile on their bikes. **What a powerful prayer presence they provided in front of Family Planning in Augusta and the Mabel Wadsworth Home in Bangor!** Thank you, Thomas, Lou, and Fr. Patrick for all you do to preserve innocent human life! Come back anytime! FMI, www.ProLifeBikers.com

ANSWERS: "What's your Pro-Life IQ?"

1. *"Lime 5"* documents more than 200 cases of women injured or killed by legal, so-called 'safe' abortions. This book is available through MRLC lending resource library.
2. a. Emergency Contraception (Plan B---Morning After Pill)
   b. RU-486 (Mifeprex---The Abortion Pill)
   c. Ella (New—-stealth Abortion Pill—-Ulipristal Acetate)
   d. Vacuum Aspiration
   e. Dilation and Suction Curettage (D & C)—generally used after 14 weeks—
   f. Dilation and Evacuation (D & E)
   g. Induction or Prostaglandin (labor is induced)
   h. Dilation and Extraction (D & X or Partial Birth Abortion)
3. Over 52 million American babies have been killed by legal abortion. That is larger than the entire population of Canada…In fact, it's the population of Canada...PLUS two (2!) holocausts from World War II.
4. The market research arm of Planned Parenthood, the largest provider of abortions In the country.
5. Nebraska Governor Dave Heineman signed both bills on April 13, 2010. Both pieces of legislation are firsts in our country, representing landmark pro-life legislation. Thank you, Nebraska!
6. Terry O'Neill is the current President of the National Organization of Women.
7. False. According to the Centers for Disease Control, 39 maternal deaths occurred due to illegal abortions in 1972, the year *prior* to the Roe v. Wade decision...not *thousands* as erroneously reported by abortionists and the press.
8. Derek Humphry is the founder of The Hemlock Society which is a National Right to Die organization formed in Santa Monica, CA in 1980. In 2003, the organization was renamed *Compassion and Choices.* Their goal is to make Physician Assisted Suicide legal throughout the U.S.A. and the world. Derek Humphry is author of the book *Final Exit.*

Your Score:
6-8 Correct Answers: Pro-Life Patron
3-5 Correct: Pro-Life Friend
1-2 Correct:Visit our pro-life resource library.

Vigil Days

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Sept. 22-Oct. 31

Join us to help end abortion. Come pray with us in front of Family Planning, 43 Gabriel Drive, Augusta. Judy Icenogle will be scheduling people to pray on Tuesdays from 8AM-8PM and Thursdays from 8 AM-5 PM…Sept. 22-Oct. 31 at Family Planning in Augusta. For more info, contact Judy at 872-6558

or ricejuice@gwi.net or augusta40days@gmail.com for a time slot.

You are also welcome to join us for the Vigil Days Kick-Off on Sept. 26, 2010 at 1 PM in front of Augusta Family Planning, 43 Gabriel Drive. Fr. Denis G. Wilde, OSA, the Associate Director of Priests for Life, will be the guest speaker.

VOTE PRO-LIFE! November 2, 2010

Maine Right to Life Committee (MRLC) is the state affiliate of National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

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Questions of State Legislative Candidates

ABORTION

1. **Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe that abortion should be legal?**
   - **A. To protect the health of the mother.**
   - **B. The baby was conceived through rape/incest.**
   - **C. The baby has a handicap or defect.**
   - **D. Abortion should never be legal.**
2. **Would you support legislation requiring that a woman considering abortion be...**
   - **A. Fully informed of the risks & alternatives prior to the procedure including a 24-hour waiting period and information on fetal development?**
   - **B. Provided information about the capacity of an unborn child to feel pain, and about possible alternatives to lessen that pain?**
   - **C. Be required to be shown a Fetal Monitor/Ultrasound prior to the abortion?**
3. **Would you oppose legislation in which Maine taxpayer dollars are used to fund abortions?**
4. **Would you support legislation requiring parental notification prior to dispensing contraceptives/birth control Rx's to minors through the school system?**
5. **Would you support a ban on the use of baby body parts (fetal tissue) taken from the victims of abortions for experimentation or scientific research?**
6. **Would you support legislation requiring parental notification for minor-aged children seeking an abortion?**
7. **Would you support a ban on stem cell research that requires the destruction of human embryos? (This question refers ONLY to embryonic stem cells, not stem cells obtained from non-controversial sources.)**
8. **Would you oppose legislation that requires Maine taxpayer dollars to be used for embryonic stem cell research? (Again, this question refers ONLY to embryonic stem cells.)**

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9. **Would you vote to oppose legislation similar to Oregon/Washington policy that would impose rationing that intentionally denies treatment on the basis of disability, degree of medical necessity, or quality of life of those denied treatment?**
10. **Do you oppose legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide?**

District	Party	Candidate Name	City/Town	Mother's Health	Rape/Incest	Handicapped	Never Legal	Fully Informed	Unborn Pain	Ultrasound	Taxpayer Money	Birth Control	Ban Baby Parts	Parental Consent	Ban Embryonic	Taxpayer/Embryonic	Oppose Med Ration	Oppose PAS	Comments
				1A	1B	1C	1D	2A	2B	2C	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
MRLC PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE**
CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR																			
-	I	Eliot Cutler	Cape Elizabeth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
-	R	Paul LePage	Waterville	Y*	Y	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"To save the LIFE of the mother." plepage@midmaine.com
-	D	Elizabeth Mitchell	Vassalboro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
-	I	Shawn Moody	Gorham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
-	I	Kevin Scott	Andover	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES CONGRESS																			
1	D	Pingree, Chellie	North Haven	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
1	R	Scontras, Dean Peter	Eliot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2008 National Right to Life PAC Endorsement
2	R	Levesque, Jason J.	Auburn	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	jason@levesqueformaine.com
2	D	Michaud, Michael H.	East Millinocket	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mostly Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey.
CANDIDATES FOR STATE SENATE																			
1	D	Hill, Dawn	York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
1	R	Estes, Michael L.	York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
2	D	Burns, Richard J.	Berwick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
2	R	Collins, Ronald F.	Wells	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
3	D	Stackpole, Robert G.	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
3	R	Courtney, Jonathan T.E. .	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
4	D	Sullivan, Nancy B.	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
4	R	Pickus, Owen Bruce	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
5	D	Hobbins, Barry J.	Saco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
5	R	Cushing, John W.	Saco	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	cushingjw@aol.com

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MRLC PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				**N**	**N**	**N**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**Y**	**MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE**
6	D	Bartlett II, Philip L.	Gorham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
6	R	Mattingly, Matthew L.	Gorham	Y	Y	N	-	Y	*	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	matt@pinecrestmaine.com
7	D	Bliss, Lawrence	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey.
7	R	Palmieri, Joseph C.	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
8	D	Alfond, Justin L.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
8	R	Doyle, Peter Ignatius	Portland	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Every innocent human life deserves maximal gov't protection of his or her life."
9	D	Brannigan, Joseph C.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
9	R	Martin, Jeffrey Y.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
10	D	Gerzofsky, Stanley J.	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
10	R	Thomas, Scott L.	Freeport	N*	N*	N*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"In general, I can imagine exceptions." "I strongly oppose abortion."
11	D	Bullens, Cynthia	Cumberland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
11	G	Miller, Christopher F.	Gray	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
11	I	Woodbury, Richard	Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
11	R	Davis, Gerald M.	Falmouth	-	Y	-	-	Y	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	gmdavis@maine.rr.com Pro-Life Voting Record.
12	D	Diamond, G. William	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
12	R	Grenier, Ann-Marie	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
13	D	Ordway, Laura H.	Bridgton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sent letter - copy available from MRLC. Maine Clean Elections Candidate.
13	R	Hastings III, David R.	Fryeburg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
14	D	Patrick, John L.	Rumford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
14	R	Millett Jr., H. Sawin	Waterford	Y	Y	-	-	Y	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Mixed voting record.
15	D	Simpson, Deborah L.	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey. Pro-Abort Voting Record.
15	R	Snowe Mello, Lois A.	Poland	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	senlois@roadrunner.com Pro-Life Voting Record
16	D	Craven, Margaret M.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
16	R	Kase, Joel A.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
17	D	Nutting, John M.	Leeds	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Pro-Abort Voting Record.
17	R	Mason, Garrett Paul	Lisbon	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	garrettpaulmason@gmail.com
18	D	Woloson, Ann L.	Belgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
18	R	Saviello, Thomas B.	Wilton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
19	D	Goodall, Seth A.	Richmond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
19	R	Kaler, David S.	Bath	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
20	D	Johnson, Christopher K.	Somerville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
20	I	Schweitzer, Daniel James	Westport Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
20	R	Trahan, A. David	Waldoboro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mostly pro-life voting record. Did not return survey.
21	D	Putman, Patrice A.	Winthrop	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
21	R	McCormick, Earle L.	West Gardiner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
22	R	Rector, Christopher W.	Thomaston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
23	D	Piotti, John F.	Unity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
23	R	Thibodeau, Michael D.	Winterport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
24	D	Crockett, Patsy Garside	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
24	R	Katz, Roger J.	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
25	D	Trinward, Pamela Jabar	Waterville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
25	R	Martin Jr., Thomas H.	Benton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
26	D	York, Gerald A.	Fairfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
26	R	Whittemore, Rodney L.	Skowhegan	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	rodwhittemore@hotmail.com
27	D	Mackey Andrews, Susan D.	Dover-Foxcroft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
27	R	Thomas, Douglas A.	Ripley	*	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1-".To save the LIFE of mother." firewood@tds.net
28	D	Schatz, James M.	Blue Hill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
28	G	Williams, Lynne A.	Bar Harbor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
28	R	Langley, Brian D.	Ellsworth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
29	D	Whalen, F. James	Machias	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
29	R	Raye, Kevin L.	Perry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
30	D	Schneider, Elizabeth Montgomery	Orono	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
30	R	Gauthier, Traci A.	Lincoln	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
31	D	Liebow, Paul Averill	Bucksport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.

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31	R	Rosen, Richard W.	Bucksport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
32	D	Perry, Joseph C.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
32	R	Farnham, Nichi S.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
33	D	Leighton Jr., Sherman G.	Dexter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
33	R	Plowman, Debra D.	Hampden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
34	D	Gordon, Patrick H.	Houlton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
34	R	Sherman, Roger L.	Hodgdon	Y	-	-	-	Y	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	rsherm2000@yahoo.com Pro-Life Voting Record.
35	D	Jackson, Troy Dale	Allagash	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	jacksonforsenate@hotmail.com Pro-Life Voting Record
35	R	Deveau, Daniel V.	Cyr Plantation	-	-	-	Y	Y	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Thank you for letting me participate in this survey."
CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE																			
1	D	Martin, John L.	Eagle Lake	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pro-Life Voting Record.
2	R	St. Peter, Rudolph T.	Cross Lake Twp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
2	D	Theriault, Charles Kenneth	Madawaska	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
3	R	Ayotte, Bernard L. A.	Caswell	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I oppose abortion under any and all circumstances."
3	D	McLaughlin, Wade E.	Limestone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
4	R	Edgecomb, Peter	Caribou	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Thanks for your opposition to abortion." pedgecomb@maine.rr.com Pro-Life Voting Record
4	D	Feeley, Jessica G.	Caribou	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
5	R	Chase Smith, Jessica	Presque Isle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
5	D	Willette, Michael J.	Presque Isle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
6	R	Clark, Tyler	Easton	Y*	N	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1A-Life of the mother. "Already working on a bill for a 24 hour waiting period for an abortion."
6	D	Smith, Nathan L.	Blaine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
7	D	Haines, Troy A.	Mapleton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
7	R	Willette, Alexander Reginald	Mapleton	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1D-Contact MRLC for clarification(s). alexander.willette@gmail.com
8	D	Cleary, Richard C.	Houlton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
8	R	Fitzpatrick, Joyce Ann	Houlton	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	jaf@pwless.net
9	D	Hunt, Patrick E.	Island Falls	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I'm a lifelong supporter of right to life." pathunt@fairpoint.com
9	R	Long, Ricky D.	Sherman	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Thank you for all you folks are doing and keep up the good work."
9	I	Zabierek, Robert Alvah	Sherman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
10	D	Clark, Herbert E.	Millinocket	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	clarkhe@beeline-online.net Pro-Life Voting Record
10	R	Perkins, Debbi J.	Millinocket	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
11	D	Cummings, Fern P.	Lowell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
11	R	McLeod Sr., Everett W.	Lee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
12	R	Gifford, Jeffery Allen	Lincoln	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
12	D	Hatch, Pamela Henderson	Enfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
13	D	Duchesne, Robert S.	Hudson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
13	R	Randall, Geraldine May	Hudson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
14	D	Dill, James F.	Old Town	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
14	R	Phillips, Daniel P.	Old Town	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
15	D	Goode, Adam A.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
15	R	McDougal, Valerie M.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
16	D	Butterfield II, Steven J.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
16	R	Damon, Douglas K.	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
17	D	Stevens, Sara	Bangor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
17	R	Teel, Katrin Pedersen	Bangor	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	kteel@midmaine.com
18	D	Martin, James R.	Orono	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
18	R	Parker, James W.	Veazie	Y	Y	N	N	Y	-	-	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	jparker339@roadrunner.com
19	D	Cain, Emily Ann	Orono	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
19	R	Jackman, Zachary David	Orono	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
20	R	Johnson, David D.	Eddington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
20	D	Pratt, Benjamin Marriner	Eddington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
21	R	Celli, Michael	Brewer	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	texn77@aol.com
21	D	Ruhlin, Richard P.	Brewer	Y	N	Y*	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	?	Y	-	N	Y	*	*1C-"Only if severe." *10-"No final decision in this matter." sendick8@aol.com
22	R	Guerin, Stacey K.	Glenburn	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Keep up the good work!" guerin@midmaine.com
23	D	Kimball, Patricia A.	Hermon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.

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23	R	Richardson, David E.	Carmel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
24	D	Sawtelle, A. Michael	Dexter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
24	R	Wintle, Frederick L.	Garland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
25	D	Austin, Frederick H.	Newport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
25	R	Fredette, Kenneth W.	Newport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
26	D	Bishop-Crossman, Joni Lynn	Milo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
26	R	Davis Sr., Paul T.	Sangerville	N	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1D-"Only if mother's life is in danger." repdavis@midmaine.com Pro-Life Voting Record
27	D	Dowse, Harold B.	Cambridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
27	R	Johnson, Peter B.	Greenville	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	rumridge27@gmail.com
28	R	Cray, Dean A.	Palmyra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
28	D	Quinn, Matthew Jeffrey	Cornville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
29	R	Fitts, Stacey Allen	Pittsfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
29	D	Sposato, Evan F.	Pittsfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
30	D	Mather, Anna S.	East Machias	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	*	N	N	N	N	*	-	N	*Abortion not healthy decision-not mine to make for another.electannamather@gmail.com
30	R	McFadden, Howard	Dennysville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
31	D	Guisinger, Jeanne A.	Perry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
31	R	Maker, Joyce A.	Calais	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
32	R	Burns, David, C.	Whiting	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
32	D	Cassidy, Katherine W.	Machias	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
33	D	Finnegan, Lawrence	Jonesport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
33	R	Tilton, Dianne C.	Harrington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
34	D	Eaton, Robert N.	Sullivan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
34	R	Malaby, Richard S.	Hancock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
35	D	Flemings, Elspeth M.	Bar Harbor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
36	D	Kumiega III, Walter A.	Deer Isle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
36	R	Spofford, Jacqueline John	Mt. Desert	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	jacquelinespofford@gmail.com
37	D	Chapman, Ralph	Brooksville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
37	R	Leach, Madeleine Gay	Castine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
38	D	Luchini, Louis Joseph	Ellsworth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
38	R	Povich, Michael E.	Ellsworth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
39	R	Cushing III, Andre E.	Hampden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
39	G	Dodge, Carolyn Rae	Dixmont	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	N	"...be realistic about social history and create change w/o infringement upon rights of others."
39	D	Wright, Shelby D.	Hampden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
40	D	LeBlanc, Mark J.	Orrington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
40	R	Rosen, Kimberley C.	Bucksport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mostly pro-life voting record. Did not return survey.
41	R	Gillway, James S.	Searsport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
41	D	Magnan, Veronica	Stockton Springs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
42	D	Brooks, Joseph E.	Winterport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
42	G	Cole, Kenneth John	Monroe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
42	R	Rioux, Peter B.	Winterport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
43	R	Baker, Lewis H.	Belfast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
43	D	Herbig, Erin D.	Belfast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
44	D	O'Brien, Andrew R.	Lincolnville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
44	R	Pelletier, Wendy P.	Hope	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"My #1 reason for running is to spread and multiply pro-life and pro-family policies."
45	R	Harmon, R. Ryan	Palermo	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I am pro-life and pro-family. Let me know if I can help." ryan.harmon2010@yahoo.com
45	D	Sahadi, Helen M.	Thorndike	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
46	R	Shaw, Helen A.	Rockport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
46	D	Welsh, Joan W.	Rockport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
47	R	Cowan III, Horatio C.	Rockland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
47	D	Mazurek, Edward J.	Rockland	Y	N	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	edmazurek1@aol.com Pro-Abort Voting Record.
48	D	Kruger, Charles B.	Thomaston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
48	R	Powell, Steven Douglas	Thomaston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
49	D	Chadwick, Shelby G.	Warren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
49	R	Richardson, Wesley E.	Warren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mostly pro-life voting record. Did not return survey.

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50	D	Berger, Mark J.	Waldoboro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
50	R	Dow, Dana L.	Waldoboro	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	sonia@dowfurniture.com
51	D	Devin, Michael G.	Newcastle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
51	R	McKane, Jonathan B.	Newcastle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
52	D	Miller, Elizabeth S.	Somerville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
52	R	Sanderson, Deborah J.	Chelsea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
53	R	Fossel, Leslie T.	Alna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
53	D	Roberts, Leola B.	Alna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
54	R	Morissette, Susan E.	Winslow	Y	-	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I worked for Birthline in high school and college!" susan@susanmorissette.com
54	D	Nadeau, Catherine M.	Winslow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
55	R	Cotta, H. David	China	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
55	I	Farrington, Neil L.	China	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
55	D	Hanson, Helen M.	China	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
56	D	Blodgett, Anna D.	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
56	R	Milewski, Scott Charles	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
57	R	Logan, William P.	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
57	D	Maloney, Maeghan	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
58	R	Foster, Karen D.	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
58	D	Mitchell, Emily M.	Vassalboro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
59	D	Hanley, Stephen P.	Gardiner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
60	R	Prescott, Kerri L.	Topsham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
60	D	Tepler, Denise A.	Topsham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
61	D	MacDonald, W. Bruce	Boothbay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
61	R	Sample III, Frank L.	Boothbay Harbor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
62	D	Clarke, Michael H.	Bath	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
62	R	Winglass, Robert J.	Bath	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
63	D	Priest, Charles R.	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
64	D	Chipman, David I.	Harpswell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
64	R	Olsen, Kimberly N.	Phippsburg	Y*	N*	N*	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1...individual basis w/respect to...circumstances." kimolsendistrict64@hotmail.com
65	D	Kent, Peter S.	Woolwich	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
65	R	Thompson, Robert E.	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
66	D	Cornell du Houx, Alexander M.D.	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
66	R	Crimmins, Jonathan M.	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
66	G	Horch, K. Frederick	Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
67	D	Berry, Seth Allan	Bowdoinham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
67	R	Miller, Brant S.	Bowdoinham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
68	R	Beaulieu, Michael G.	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
69	D	Bolduc, Brian D.	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
69	R	Michael, John M.	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
70	R	Bickford, Bruce A.	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
70	D	Scott, Michael Robert	Auburn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
71	R	Chizmar, Mark Lane	Lewiston	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	No comments.
71	D	Lajoie, Michel A.	Lewiston	*	*	*	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	*1-"This has to be decided on a case by case basis." lajoie1@midmaine.com
72	D	Carey, Michael E.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
72	R	Welch, Marcus I.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
73	R	Stone, Douglas T.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
73	D	Wagner, Richard V.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
74	R	Fournier, Matthew Marc	Lewiston	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	info@mattfournier.com
74	D	Rotundo, Margaret R.	Lewiston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
75	D	Dostie, Stacy T.	Sabattus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
75	R	Wood, Stephen J.	Sabattus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
76	D	Beck, Henry E.	Waterville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
76	R	McNulty, Mark E.	Waterville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
77	R	Fortier, Alek John	Waterville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.

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77	D	Longstaff, Thomas R. W.	Waterville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
78	R	Nutting, Robert W.	Oakland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
79	R	Kemmerer, Carol A.	Hallowell	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	carol@carolkemmerer.com
79	D	Treat, Sharon	Hallowell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
80	R	Newendyke, Melvin	Litchfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
80	D	Wing, Scott R.	Monmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
81	D	Dwyer, Peggy	Livermore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
81	R	Knight, L. Gary	Livermore Falls	Y	Y	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Abortion should not be used as a birth control measure!" "I support life!"
82	R	Flood, Patrick S.	Winthrop	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey.
82	D	Hickman, Craig V.	Winthrop	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
83	D	Jones, Patricia R.	Mount Vernon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
83	R	Keschl, Dennis L.	Belgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
84	R	Picchiotti, John J.	Fairfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
84	C	Rowden, Aaron Blaschke	Fairfield																C-Common Sense Party
84	D	Sezak, Robert	Fairfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
84	U	Tessier, Paul Leo	Fairfield																U-Unenrolled in any party.
85	R	Hale, Brian David	Skowhegan	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	pastorhale@yahoo.com
85	D	McCabe, Jeffrey M.	Skowhegan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
86	R	Curtis, Philip A.	Madison	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	pdcurtis2@hotmail.com Pro-Life Voting Record.
86	D	Doty, Benjamin	Madison	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
87	R	Couture, Anthony J.	Jay	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	tonycouture87@yahoo.com
87	D	Gilbert, Paul E.	Jay	*	*	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	*	*	Y	Y	*Cannot answer w/a definite response. All life is precious." pegilbert@hotmail.com
88	D	Bryant, John H.	Anson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
88	R	Dunphy, Larry C.	Embden	Y*	N	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1A-"Life of the mother." skime2@roadrunner.com
89	R	Harvell, Lance Evans	Farmington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
89	D	Robinson, Yvette	Farmington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
90	R	Black, Russell J.	Wilton	?	N	N	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I have always supported MRLC." russellblack@juno.com
90	D	Faunce, Irving B.	Wilton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
91	R	Crockett, Jarrod S.	Bethel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
91	D	McGrew, Charles C.	Bethel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
92	D	Peterson, Matthew John	Rumford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
92	R	Thacker, Justin Daniel	Andover	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	jmthacker2003@yahoo.com
93	R	Bissell, Cynthia H.	Canton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
93	D	Briggs, Sheryl J.	Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
94	D	Hayes, Teresa M.	Buckfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sent letter - copy available from MRLC. Maine Clean Elections Candidate.
94	R	Lorrain, Ryan E.	Paris	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
95	D	Newcomb, Russell A.	Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
95	R	Winsor, Tom J.	Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
96	D	Sirois, Lawrence G.	Turner	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	lansir@megalink.com
96	R	Timberlake, Jeffrey L.	Turner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
97	R	Cunningham, George G.	Fryeburg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
97	D	Rankin, Helen	Hiram	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
98	D	Villa, Lisa R.	Harrison	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
98	R	Waterhouse, G. Paul	Bridgton	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I have served on Judiciary Cmt. & co-sponsored pro-life bills." pwaterhouse2@live.com
99	R	Sarty Jr., Ralph W.	Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
99	I	Steed, Alexander C.	Cornish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
100	R	Hamper, James M.	Oxford	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	rep.hamp@yahoo.com Pro-Life Voting Record.
100	D	O'Neill, Colin Delaney	Oxford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
101	R	Cebra, Richard M.	Naples	Y*	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1A-"Life of the mother, not mental health." info@richcebra.com Pro-Life Voting Record.
101	D	Simpson, Mackenzie Paul	Casco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
102	R	Delaney, Todd R.	Standish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
102	D	Shaw, Michael A.	Standish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
102	G	Wakefield, Michael W.	Standish	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
103	R	McClellan, Michael D.	Raymond	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	mmcclell@maine.rr.com

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103	D	Stephenson, Leslie J.	Raymond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
104	D	Comber, Janice	Lisbon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
104	R	Crafts, Dale J.	Lisbon	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	dalecrafts@aol.com "I am 100% Pro-Life."
105	R	Espling, Eleanor M.	New Gloucester	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"I am only torn about abortion in the case of a women's life in danger." ellie@ellieespling.com
105	D	Van Wie, David A.	New Gloucester	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
106	R	Greene, William Bruce	Freeport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
106	D	Webster, David C.	Freeport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
107	D	Innes, Melissa Walsh	Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
107	R	Weinstein, Jeffrey	Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
108	G	Cianchette, Erin L.	Cumberland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
108	D	Gruber, Thomas H.	Cumberland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
108	R	Strang Burgess, Meredith N.	Cumberland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
109	R	Foster, Gary C.	Gray	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
109	I	Frank, Tyler A.	North Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
109	D	Graham, Anne P.	North Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
110	D	Bryant, Mark E.	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
110	R	Haskell, Clayton	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
111	D	Heckman, Geoffrey W.	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
111	R	Plummer, Gary E.	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
111	G	Webber, Angela Jean	Windham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
112	D	Nelson, Mary P.	Falmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
112	R	Richard, Mark J.	Falmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
113	D	Dion, Mark N.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
113	R	Harris, Jason R.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
114	R	Calder, Patrick Douglas	Portland	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	patrickcalder@hotmail.com
114	D	Stuckey, Peter C.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
115	G	Berner, Seth H.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
115	D	Lovejoy, Stephen D.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
115	R	Martin, Chase Seaver	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
116	R	Capron, Kenneth A.	Portland	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	N	Y	Y	N	watchdog@maine.rr.com
116	D	Harlow, Denise Patricia	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
116	I	Kilfoil, Frederick J.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
117	D	Haskell, Anne M.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
117	R	Lapomarda, Shawn-Elise	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
118	G	Brewer, Carney A.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
118	R	Carpentier, Mark C.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
118	D	Hinck, Jon	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
119	D	Barkley, Jill A.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
119	I	Chipman, Benjamin M.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
120	R	Elliman, Thomas T.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
120	D	Russell, Diane Marie	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
120	G	Trevorrow, Anna J.	Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
121	D	Dill, Cynthia A.	Cape Elizabeth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
121	R	Lusk, Eric B.	Cape Elizabeth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
122	R	Farr Jr., Howard Reed	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
122	D	Morrison, Terry K.	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
123	D	Eberle, Jane E.	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
123	R	Myrick, Kenneth Earl	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
124	R	Barter, Adam C.	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
124	D	Kaenrath, Bryan T.	South Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
125	R	Lawson, Michael E.	Westbrook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
125	D	Peoples, Ann E.	Westbrook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
126	R	Chuluda, Bruce L.	Westbrook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
126	D	Driscoll, Timothy E.	Westbrook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey

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127	D	Flaherty, Sean	Scarborough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
127	R	Volk, Amy F.	Scarborough	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	avolk@volkboxes.com
128	D	Dell'Olio, Brian M.	Scarborough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
128	R	Sirocki, Heather W.	Scarborough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
129	R	Knapp, Jane S.	Gorham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
129	D	LeVasseur II, Daniel Joseph	Gorham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
130	D	Sanborn, Linda F.	Gorham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
130	R	Stoddard, Jacob Timothy	Buxton	Y	Y	*	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*	*	*	*	N	*Contact MRLC for extensive Candidate comments. jaketstoddard@gmail.com
131	D	Hunt, Robert M.	Buxton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
131	R	Libby, James Delmas	Buxton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
132	R	Gombar, William J.	Old Orchard Beach	*	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*Only to save LIFE of Mother." "I am a life-long Catholic & support the Church's position."
132	D	Hogan, George W.	Old Orchard Beach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
133	D	Pilon, Donald E.	Saco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
133	R	Watts, Brad James	Saco	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"Need to do more to educate about what abortion really is..." brad@acandidatewhocares.com
134	G	Gay, Roger B.	Saco	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	"Some people are sick & suffering & don't want to live."inmannn@yahoo.com
134	R	Schiavoni, Mary	Saco	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"What about state funding for homes for pregnant women?" schiavonime@gmail.com
134	D	Valentino, Linda M.	Saco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Abort Voting Record. Did not return survey
135	D	Beaudoin, Paulette G.	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
135	R	Worrell, Marc A.	Biddeford	N*	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1A-"Only for the LIFE of the mother." mgmworrell@gmail.com
136	D	Rochelo, Megan M.	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
136	R	Whalen, W. Sturgis	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
137	D	Casavant, Alan M.	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
137	R	Sexton, Suzanne Y.	Biddeford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
138	R	Burns, David R.	Alfred	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
138	D	Waterman, Diana T.	Shapleigh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
139	R	Libby, Aaron F.	Waterboro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
139	D	Wagner, Joseph Andrew	Lyman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
140	D	Connor, Gary A.	Kennebunk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
140	R	Parry, Wayne R.	Arundel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
141	R	Bennett, Paul Edward	Kennebunk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
141	D	Legg, Edward P.	Kennebunk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
142	D	Boland, Andrea M.	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
142	R	Gulnac, Linda B.	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
143	R	Herlihy, Maura Anne	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
143	D	Tuttle Jr., John L.	Sanford	*	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*1A"Protect LIFE of the mother." astuttle@sanfordmaine.org Mostly pro-life voting record.
144	I	Gerry, Pamela E.	Sanford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
144	R	Nass, Joan M.	Acton	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	repjoan.nass@legislature.maine.gov Pro-Life Voting Record.
145	R	O'Connor, Beth A.	Berwick	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*10-"...assault on individual liberty to oppose choice." libertymom1@msn.com
145	D	Wright, Thomas J.	Berwick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
146	R	Drew, Gregg H.	North Berwick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
146	D	Eves, Mark W.	North Berwick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
147	R	Chase, Kathleen D.	Wells	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
147	D	Houle, Fred R.	Wells	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
148	D	Beavers, Roberta B.	South Berwick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
148	R	Lemire, Ellen M.	Eliot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
149	R	Moulton, Bradley S.	York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Pro-Life Voting Record. Did not return survey.
149	D	Score, Michael F.	Ogunquit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
150	D	Giordano, Phyllis	York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
150	R	Weaver, Windol C.	York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
151	I	Beers, Gary	Kittery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Doesn't like "YES" or 'NO" surveys. Copy of full letter at MRLC. www.beersfor151.org
151	D	Beliveau, Devin M.	Kittery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.
151	R	Carson, John J.	Kittery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Did not return survey.

THE PRESIDENTIAL RECORD ON LIFE

President Barack Obama 2009-present

On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Maine House of Representatives
PRO-LIFE Roll Call
June 2011
125th Legislature

Legend: ✓ = Voted **WITH** Us X= Voted **AGAINST** Us E= Excused A = Absent

NAME		LD 116, *An Act To Require a 24-hour Waiting Period Prior to an Abortion*	LD 924, *An Act To Educate Women on the Medical Riskd Associated with Abortion*	LD 1457, *An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors and Icapacitated Persons*	LD 1463, *An Act Regarding Offenses Against an Unborn Child*
AYOTTE of Caswell	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BEAUDOIN of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
BEAULIEU of Auburn	R	x	x	x	x
BEAVERS of South Berwick	D	x	x	x	x
BECK of Waterville	D	x	x	x	x
BELIVEAU of Kittery	D	x	x	x	x
BENNETT of Kennebunk	R	✓	x	✓	✓
BERRY of Bowdoinham	D	x	x	x	x
BICKFORD of Auburn	R	✓	x	✓	x
BLACK of Wilton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BLODGETT of Augusta	D	x	x	x	x
BOLAND of Sanford	D	x	x	x	x
BOLDUC of Auburn	D	x	x	x	x
BRIGGS of Mexico	D	x	x	x	x
BRYANT of Windham	D	x	x	x	x
BURNS of Whiting	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BURNS of Alfred	R	✓	x	✓	✓
CAIN of Orono	D	x	x	x	x
CAREY of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
CASAVANT of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
CEBRA of Naples	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CELLI of Brewer	R	A	A	A	✓
CHAPMAN of Brooksville	D	x	x	x	x
CHASE of Wells	R	✓	x	✓	x
CHIPMAN of Portland	U	x	x	x	x
CLARK of Millinocket	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
CLARK of Easton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CLARKE of Bath	D	x	x	x	x
CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick	D	x	x	x	x
COTTA of China	R	✓	✓	✓	x
CRAFTS of Lisbon	R	✓	✓	✓	✓

CRAY of Palmyra	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CROCKETT of Bethel	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CURTIS of Madison	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CUSHING of Hampden	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DAMON of Bangor	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DAVIS of Sangerville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DILL of Old Town	D	x	x	x	x
DION of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
DOW of Waldoboro	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DRISCOLL of Westbrook	D	x	x	x	x
DUCHESNE of Hudson	D	x	x	x	x
DUNPHY of Embden	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
EBERLE of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
EDGECOMB of Caribou	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
ESPLING of New Gloucester	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
EVES of North Berwick	D	x	x	x	x
FITTS of Pittsfield	R	x	x	x	x
FITZPATRICK of Houlton	R	✓	✓	x	✓
FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor	D	x	x	x	x
FLOOD of Winthrop	R	x	x	x	x
FOSSEL of Alna	R	x	x	x	x
FOSTER of Augusta	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
FREDETTE of Newport	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
GIFFORD of Lincoln	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
GILBERT of Jay	D	x	x	✓	x
GILLWAY of Searsport	R	A	A	A	✓
GOODE of Bangor	D	x	x	x	x
GRAHAM of North Yarmouth	D	x	x	x	x
GUERIN of Glenburn	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HAMPER of Oxford	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HANLEY of Gardiner	D	A	✓	A	✓
HARLOW of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HARMON of Palermo	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HARVELL of Farmington	R	✓	✓	✓	x
HASKELL of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HAYES of Buckfield	D	x	x	x	x
HERBIG of Belfast	D	x	x	x	x
HINCK of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach	D	x	x	x	x
HUNT of Buxton	D	x	x	x	x
INNES of Yarmouth	D	A	A	A	A
JOHNSON of Eddington	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
JOHNSON of Greenville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
KAENRATH of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
KENT of Woolwich	D	x	x	x	x
KESCHL of Belgrade	R	✓	x	x	x
KNAPP of Gorham	R	x	x	x	✓

KNIGHT of Livermore Falls	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
KRUGER of Thomaston	D	x	x	x	x
KUMIEGA of Deer Isle	D	x	x	x	x
LAJOIE of Lewiston	D	✓	x	✓	x
LIBBY of Waterboro	R	x	x	✓	x
LONG of Sherman	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
LONGSTAFF of Waterville	D	x	x	x	x
LOVEJOY of Portland	D	A	A	A	A
LUCHINI of Ellsworth	D	x	x	x	x
MacDONALD of Boothbay	D	x	x	x	x
MAKER of Calais	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
MALABY of Hancock	R	✓	x	✓	✓
MALONEY of Augusta	D	x	x	x	x
MARTIN of Eagle Lake	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
MAZUREK of Rockland	D	x	x	x	x
McCABE of Skowhegan	D	x	x	x	x
McCLELLAN of Raymond	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McFADDEN of Dennysville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McKANE of Newcastle	R	✓	✓	x	✓
MORISSETTE of Winslow	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
MORRISON of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
MOULTON of York	R	x	✓	x	x
NASS of Acton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
NELSON of Falmouth	D	x	x	x	x
NEWENDYKE of Litchfield	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
NUTTING of Oakland	R	x	x	x	✓
O'BRIEN of Lincolnville	D	x	x	x	x
O'CONNOR of Berwick	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
OLSEN of Phippsburg	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
PARKER of Veazie	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
PARRY of Arundel	R	x	x	✓	x
PEOPLES of Westbrook	D	x	x	x	x
PETERSON of Rumford	D	x	x	x	✓
PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield	R	✓	x	✓	✓
PILON of Saco	D	x	x	x	x
PLUMMER of Windham	R	x	x	x	x
PRESCOTT of Topsham	R	x	x	x	x
PRIEST of Brunswick	D	x	x	x	x
RANKIN of Hiram	D	x	x	x	x
RICHARDSON of Carmel	R	x	x	x	x
RICHARDSON of Warren	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
RIOUX of Winterport	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
ROCHELO of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
ROSEN of Bucksport	R	x	x	x	✓
ROTUNDO of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
RUSSELL of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
SANBORN of Gorham	D	x	x	x	x

SANDERSON of Chelsea	R	✓	✓	A	✓
SARTY of Denmark	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
SHAW of Standish	D	x	x	x	x
SIROCKI of Scarborough	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
STEVENS of Bangor	D	x	x	x	x
STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland	R	x	x	x	x
STUCKEY of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
THERIAULT of Madawaska	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
TILTON of Harrington	R	x	x	x	✓
TIMBERLAKE of Turner	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TREAT of Hallowell	D	x	x	x	x
TURNER of Burlington	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TUTTLE of Sanford	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
VALENTINO of Saco	D	x	x	x	x
VOLK of Scarborough	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WAGNER of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WEAVER of York	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WEBSTER of Freeport	D	x	x	x	x
WELSH of Rockport	D	x	x	x	x
WILLETTE of Mapleton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WILLETTE of Presque Isle	R	x	x	x	x
WINSOR of Norway	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WINTLE of Garland	R	A	A	A	A
WOOD of Sabattus	R	x	x	✓	✓

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THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

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Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

Signature	Print Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number / E-mail Address	18 or Older Y	18 or Older N
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		Street:	E-mail:		
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ALFOND of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
BARTLETT of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
BRANNIGAN of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
COLLINS of York	R	✓	✓	x	✓
COURTNEY of York	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CRAVEN of Androscoggin	D	x	x	x	x
DIAMOND of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
DILL of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
FARNHAM of Penobscot	R	x	x	x	x
GERZOFSKY of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
GOODALL of Sagadahoc	D	E	E	E	E
HASTINGS of Oxford	R	x	x	x	x
HILL of York	D	x	x	x	x
HOBBINS of York	D	x	x	x	x
JACKSON of Aroostook	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
KATZ of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	x
LANGLEY of Hancock	R	x	x	x	x
MARTIN of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	✓
MASON of Androscoggin	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McCORMICK of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	✓
PATRICK of Oxford	D	✓	x	x	x
PLOWMAN of Penobscot	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
RAYE of Washington	R	x	x	x	✓
RECTOR of Knox	R	x	x	x	x
ROSEN of Hancock	R	x	x	✓	x
SAVIELLO of Franklin	R	✓	✓	x	✓
SCHNEIDER of Penobscot	D	x	x	x	x
SHERMAN of Aroostook	R	✓	x	✓	✓
SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
SULLIVAN of York	D	x	x	x	E

THIBODEAU of Waldo	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
THOMAS of Somerset	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TRAHAN of Lincoln	R	✓	x	x	✓
WHITTEMORE of Somerset	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WOODBURY of Cumberland	U	x	x	x	x

Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Suction Curettage	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172	2196	2262
Sharp Curettage	3	7	4	2	0	4	4	9
Dilation & Evacuation	2	3	3	0	6	4	3	11
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	465	437	460	364	276	469	375	235
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	4	15	31
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 9 Weeks	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807	1699	1668
9 Weeks	238	259	279	314	306	288	361	353
10 Weeks	147	166	173	189	184	204	208	229
11 Weeks	89	135	131	145	141	137	135	119
12 Weeks	97	105	123	134	139	107	96	95
13 Weeks	82	96	79	86	81	74	49	41
14 Weeks	5	16	17	10	13	5	6	6
15 Weeks	1	4	8	1	4	3	0	0
16 Weeks	1	2	1	4	1	1	2	5
17 Weeks	3	1	2	1	2	0	3	4
18 Weeks	0	1	1	2	3	9	4	2
19 Weeks	5	6	3	3	7	9	6	5
20+ Weeks	12	3	11	10	12	8	13	16
Unknown	1	5	0	1	0	1	11	7
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 10 Years Old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	11	7	7	10	11	12	8	9
15 Years Old	24	18	23	26	26	26	29	32
16 Years Old	29	50	41	57	60	47	48	65
17 Years Old	46	64	97	96	92	115	112	85
18 Years Old	110	127	130	135	140	141	144	140
19 Years Old	166	138	176	169	154	181	173	151
20-24 Years Old	781	853	921	937	966	863	867	919
25-29 Years Old	552	603	597	608	561	569	564	535
30-34 Years Old	324	280	323	335	330	329	318	330
35-39 Years Old	186	193	238	212	209	201	229	194
40-44 Years Old	77	75	64	81	74	85	74	62
Greater than 44	4	5	3	3	3	6	8	4
Unknown	1	0	3	20	46	78	19	24
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total # of Abortions	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**
With 1 prior birth	541	557	641	588	560	639	620	628
With 2 prior births	360	395	429	451	453	400	416	427
With 3+ prior births	204	192	206	211	195	214	213	185
Unknown prior births	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior births	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**	**1250**	**1241**
With 1 prior abortion	517	589	656	705	627	621	694	658
With 2 prior abortions	200	230	231	236	207	186	258	201
With 3 + prior abortions	106	117	108	109	80	82	101	81
Unknown prior abortions	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior abortions	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**	**1054**	**941**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	273	277	311	318	309	289	277	274
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	54	64	59	60	59	73	66	47
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	27	33	41	29	26	28	17	28
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**	**361**	**350**

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Join us for a curriculum of----

Beginning of Life Courses	History of Abortion, Fetal Development, Effects of Abortion, etc.
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Elective, non-classroom pro-life endeavors can be conducted at any time between now & the Oct. 2013 Maine Right to Life Committee Convention!

Elective Pro-Life Endeavors—Select any combination of 10 credits to receive your Diploma from Pro-Life University…
PLUS---2 Days Classroom Attendance in August:

Attend 2013 *Hands Around the Capitol* (*2 credits)*
Attend 2013 *March for Life* in D.C. *(4 credits)*
Attend Sidewalk Counseling Training Course *(2 credits)*
Volunteer at a Pregnancy Support Center for 3 hours (*2 credits)*
Call or write your local legislator *(2 credits)*
Register on-line for a pro-life news bulletin such as LifeNews.com, Susan B. Anthony List, MRLC, etc. (*1 credit)*
Write a Pro-Life Letter to the Editor of your local newspaper *(2 credits)*
Participate in Spring or Fall 2013 *40 Days for Life/Pray in Front of Abortion Center*: 3 hours *(2 credits)*
Participate in a Pro-Life Prayer Activity in your church *(2 credits)*
Attend 2013 MRLC Annual Convention in Oct. *(2 credits)*
Read a pro-life book or preview a pro-life movie/video *(1 credit)*
Make a donation of any amount to a pro-life organization *(1 credit)*
Attend a post-abortive seminar or retreat *(2 credits)*
Meet in person with your local legislator to discuss pro-life legislation *(3 credits)*
Participate in *Celebrate Life Walk* July 13, 2013 OR Pregnancy Support Center Walk *(2 credits)*
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Recruit a young adult to pro-life Maine *(2 credits)*
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Form a pro-life group at your church or organization *(5 credits)*
Nominate a pro-life leader for the annual *Patricia DeGrinney Life Award (2 credits)*
Present a pro-life program to your church or your organization *(3 credits)*

Seating is limited. Register Today! There is no fee for attendance.

Diplomas will be awarded at MRLC Annual Convention, October 2013 in Portland.

***Note:* Maine Right to Life Committee Board Members may 'sign off' on student requirements.**

Registration packets will be mailed to students this Spring, on a first come, first served basis.

FMI, contact Teresa McCann-Tumidajski at 782-0101 or Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com.

THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

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Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

Signature	Print Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number / E-mail Address	18 or Older Y	18 or Older N
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District	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Party	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	LD 1065, "An Act Regarding Patient-directed Care at the End of Life"	LD 760, "An Act Regarding Informed Consent to an Abortion"	LD 1193, "An Act To Allow a Wrongful Death Cause of Action for the Death of an Unborn Child"	LD 1339, "An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors and Incapacitated Persons"
8	Alfond	Justin	D	134 Sheridan St.	Portland	ME	04101	justin@justinalfond.com 207-828-0277	---	X	X	X
6	Boyle	James	D	25 Dundee Rd.	Gorham	ME	04038	senjames.boyle@legislature.maine.gov c:207-899-9606	---	X	X	X
29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd.	Whiting	ME	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	---	✓	✓	✓
30	Cain	Emily	D	103 Forest Ave.	Orono	ME	04473	emily.cain@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	---	X	X	X
15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St.	Auburn	ME	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	---	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd.	Wells	ME	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	---	✓	✓	✓
16	Craven	Margaret	D	41 Russell St.	Lewiston	ME	04240	mmcraven@roadrunner.com 207-783-1897	---	X	X	X
33	Cushing	Andre	R	PO Box 211	Hampden	ME	04444	andre@andrecushing.com 207-358-9447	---	✓	✓	✓
4	Dutremble	David	D	536 Elm St.	Biddeford	ME	04005	ddutrem1@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	---	X	X	X
21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr.	Winthrop	ME	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	---	X	✓	X
10	Gerzofsky	Stanley	D	3 Federal St.	Brunswick	ME	04011	stan1340@aol.com 207-373-1328	---	X	X	X
19	Goodall	Seth	D	5 Church St.	Richmond	ME	04357	senseth.goodall@legislature.maine.gov 207-737-4797	---	X	X	X

32	Gratwick	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Ave.	Bangor	ME	04401	Sengeoff.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	—	X	X	X
									LD 1065	**LD 760**	**LD 1193**	**LD 1339**
13	Hamper	James	R	1023 King St.	Oxford	ME	04270	senatorhamp@gmail.com 207-539-4586	—	✓	✓	✓
9	Haskell	Anne	D	31 Higgins St.	Portland	ME	04101	annehask@maine.rr.com c/o 207-287-1515	—	X	X	X
1	Hill	Dawn	D	PO Box 701	Cape Neddick	ME	03902	SenDawn.Hill@Legislature.maine.gov 207-337-3689	—	X	X	X
35	Jackson	Troy	D	167 Allagash Rd.	Allagash	ME	04774	SenTroy.Jackson@legislature.maine.gov 207-436-0763	—	✓	✓	X
20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd.	Somerville	ME	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St.	Augusta	ME	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	—	X	✓	X
25	Lachowicz	Colleen	D	One Kelsey St., #2	Waterville	ME	04901	sencolleen.lachowicz@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	—	X	X	X
28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St.	Ellsworth	ME	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	—	X	X	X
17	Mason	Garrett	R	312 Ridge Rd.	Lisbon Falls	ME	04252	SenGarrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov 207-577-1521	—	✓	✓	✓
22	Mazurek	Edward	D	65 Beech St.	Rockland	ME	04841	edmazurek1@aol.com 207-594-5647	—	X	X	X
7	Millett	Rebecca	D	12 Waumbek Rd.	Cape Elizabeth	ME	04107	senrebeccamillett@gmail.com 207-415-3903	—	X	X	X
14	Patrick	John	D	206 Strafford Ave.	Rumford	ME	04276	johnpat2000@hotmail.com 207-364-7666	—	X	X	X
12	Plummer	Gary	R	248 Gray Rd.	Windham	ME	04062	senG.plummer@legislature.maine.gov 207-892-6088	—	✓	X	X
18	Saviello	Thomas	R	60 Applegate Ln.	Wilton	ME	04294	drtom16@hotmail.com 207-645-3420	—	✓	✓	X
34	Sherman	Roger	R	PO Box 682	Houlton	ME	04730	Senroger.sherman@legislature.maine.gov 207-532-7073	—	✓	✓	✓
23	Thibodeau	Michael	R	169 Coles Corner Rd.	Winterport	ME	04496	senatorthibodeau@aol.com 207-223-5177	—	✓	✓	✓
27	Thomas	Douglas	R	306 Stream Rd.	Ripley	ME	04643	firewood@tds.net 207-277-3017	—	✓	✓	✓
3	Tuttle	John	D	176 Cottage St.	Sanford	ME	04073	SenJohn.Tuttle@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	—	✓	✓	✓

5	Valentino	Linda	D	PO Box 1049	Saco	ME	04072	senatorvalentino@gmail.com c:207-205-0077	—	X	X	X
26	Whittemore	Rodney	R	PO Box 96	Skowhegan	ME	04976	rodwhittemore@gmail.com 207-474-6703	—	✓	✓	✓
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On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Stanley	Stephen	D	614 Pattagumpus Road	Medway	ME	04460	(207) 746-5371 stanleyss@pioneercable.net	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Theriault	Charles	D	116 22nd Avenue	Madawaska	ME	04756	(207) 728-4526 kent23@myfairpoint.net	A	A	A	A
Timberlake	Jeffrey	R	284 Ricker Hill Road	Turner	ME	04282	(207) 225-6016 jtimberlake_us@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tipping-Spitz	Ryan	D	279 Main St	Orono	ME	04473	(207) 866-4333 oronoryan@gmail.com	✓	X	X	X
Treat	Sharon	D	22 Page Street	Hallowell	ME	04347	(207) 623-7161 RepSharon.Treat@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X

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Turner	Beth	R	P. O. Box 65	Burlington	ME	04417	(207) 732-4625 repbethturner@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tyler	Thomas	R	30 Buckfield Drive	Windham	ME	04062	(207) 892-9760 RepTom.Tyler@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	X
Verow	Arthur	D	20 Greenwood Drive	Brewer	ME	04412	(207) 989-7032 arthurverow@hotmail.com	A	✓	✓	✓
Villa	Lisa	D	P. O. Box 427	Harrison	ME	04040	(207) 712-5222 Villa98staterep@gmail.com	✓	X	X	X
Volk	Amy	R	4 Elbridge Oliver Way	Scarborough	ME	04074	(207) 883-1963 avolk@volkboxes.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wallace	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street	Dexter	ME	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	A	✓	✓	✓
Weaver	Windol	R	4 Weavers Way	York	ME	03909	(207) 363-4641 wcw63@aol.com	X	✓	✓	✓
Welsh	Joan	D	54 Sea Street	Rockport	ME	04856	(207) 236-6554 joanwelsh08@gmail.com	✓	X	X	X
Werts	R.	D	556 Pownal Road	Auburn	ME	04210	(207) 783-6931 rw556@aol.com	X	X	X	X
Willette	Alexander	R	106 Hanson Lake Road	Mapleton	ME	04757	(207) 768-1516 alexander.willette@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Winchenbach	Ellen	R	1121 Manktown Road	Waldoboro	ME	04572	(207) 832-2005 ellenaw12@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winsor	Tom	R	107 Thurston Road	Norway	ME	04268	(207) 527-2233 twinsor@megalink.net	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Suction Curettage	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172	2196	2262
Sharp Curettage	3	7	4	2	0	4	4	9
Dilation & Evacuation	2	3	3	0	6	4	3	11
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	465	437	460	364	276	469	375	235
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	4	15	31
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 9 Weeks	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807	1699	1668
9 Weeks	238	259	279	314	306	288	361	353
10 Weeks	147	166	173	189	184	204	208	229
11 Weeks	89	135	131	145	141	137	135	119
12 Weeks	97	105	123	134	139	107	96	95
13 Weeks	82	96	79	86	81	74	49	41
14 Weeks	5	16	17	10	13	5	6	6
15 Weeks	1	4	8	1	4	3	0	0
16 Weeks	1	2	1	4	1	1	2	5
17 Weeks	3	1	2	1	2	0	3	4
18 Weeks	0	1	1	2	3	9	4	2
19 Weeks	5	6	3	3	7	9	6	5
20+ Weeks	12	3	11	10	12	8	13	16
Unknown	1	5	0	1	0	1	11	7
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 10 Years Old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	11	7	7	10	11	12	8	9
15 Years Old	24	18	23	26	26	26	29	32
16 Years Old	29	50	41	57	60	47	48	65
17 Years Old	46	64	97	96	92	115	112	85
18 Years Old	110	127	130	135	140	141	144	140
19 Years Old	166	138	176	169	154	181	173	151
20-24 Years Old	781	853	921	937	966	863	867	919
25-29 Years Old	552	603	597	608	561	569	564	535
30-34 Years Old	324	280	323	335	330	329	318	330
35-39 Years Old	186	193	238	212	209	201	229	194
40-44 Years Old	77	75	64	81	74	85	74	62
Greater than 44	4	5	3	3	3	6	8	4
Unknown	1	0	3	20	46	78	19	24
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total # of Abortions	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**
With 1 prior birth	541	557	641	588	560	639	620	628
With 2 prior births	360	395	429	451	453	400	416	427
With 3+ prior births	204	192	206	211	195	214	213	185
Unknown prior births	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior births	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**	**1250**	**1241**
With 1 prior abortion	517	589	656	705	627	621	694	658
With 2 prior abortions	200	230	231	236	207	186	258	201
With 3 + prior abortions	106	117	108	109	80	82	101	81
Unknown prior abortions	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior abortions	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**	**1054**	**941**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	273	277	311	318	309	289	277	274
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	54	64	59	60	59	73	66	47
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	27	33	41	29	26	28	17	28
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**	**361**	**350**

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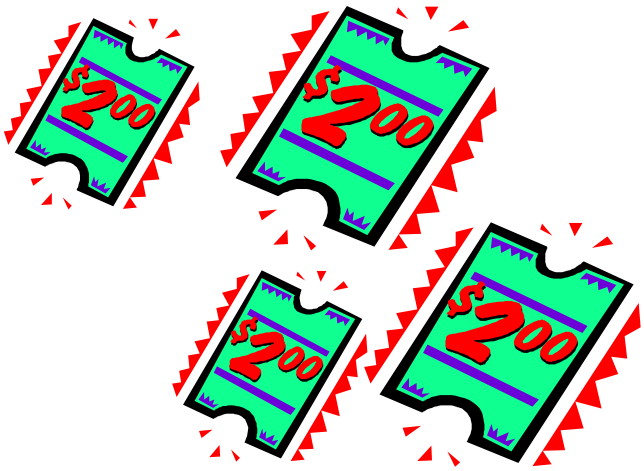

Dear Pro-Life Friend:

As you know Maine Right to Life operates on member donations and fundraising activities such as our Annual Raffle Program and once again, we're asking for **your help!**

Our raffle fundraising program helps us continue our Pro-Life work and this year is no different! **Like many non-profits, we typically experience a considerable lull in donations during the slow summer months - that's why we need your help today!**

This year our raffle program has these fabulous prizes:

1st PRIZE:	**$500.00 Gift Certificate from L.L. Bean!** —Spectacular for Christmas, or any time of year!
2nd PRIZE:	**$250.00 Gift Certificate from Hannaford Supermarkets!** —Perfect for any household!
3rd PRIZE:	**$100.00 Gift Certificate!** —Donated by *Uncle Dean's Good Groceries* in Waterville!

Selling Tips! Some great places to generate fast tickets sales include your annual summer family get-together or 4th of July BBQ. Family and friends could hardly resist your charming smile! Keep your raffle tickets with you, and handy, so you can pop the question when you run into people at Little League games, after Sunday Services, while you browse at the local farmers' market or even at the beach!

We've enclosed a self-addressed, postage-paid envelope for you to return the raffle stubs and ticket proceeds. Be safe! It's best to send a check or money order for the proceeds in the mail. Also, please be sure that the raffle ticket buyers fill in their full name, address & phone number so we can find them when they win!...**Only $2 per Ticket...or...$10 for a book of 6 Tickets!**

SAVE THE DATE! Drawing will be held at this year's
Annual Convention on Saturday, Oct. 19. 2013 at Keeley's Banquet Center in Portland!

Thank you! We sincerely appreciate your generous support!

Please contact us if you would like additional Raffle Tickets!

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THE PRESIDENTIAL RECORD ON LIFE

President Barack Obama 2009-present

On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Maine House of Representatives
PRO-LIFE Roll Call
June 2011
125th Legislature

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NAME		LD 116, *An Act To Require a 24-hour Waiting Period Prior to an Abortion*	LD 924, *An Act To Educate Women on the Medical Riskd Associated with Abortion*	LD 1457, *An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors and Icapacitated Persons*	LD 1463, *An Act Regarding Offenses Against an Unborn Child*
AYOTTE of Caswell	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BEAUDOIN of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
BEAULIEU of Auburn	R	x	x	x	x
BEAVERS of South Berwick	D	x	x	x	x
BECK of Waterville	D	x	x	x	x
BELIVEAU of Kittery	D	x	x	x	x
BENNETT of Kennebunk	R	✓	x	✓	✓
BERRY of Bowdoinham	D	x	x	x	x
BICKFORD of Auburn	R	✓	x	✓	x
BLACK of Wilton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BLODGETT of Augusta	D	x	x	x	x
BOLAND of Sanford	D	x	x	x	x
BOLDUC of Auburn	D	x	x	x	x
BRIGGS of Mexico	D	x	x	x	x
BRYANT of Windham	D	x	x	x	x
BURNS of Whiting	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
BURNS of Alfred	R	✓	x	✓	✓
CAIN of Orono	D	x	x	x	x
CAREY of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
CASAVANT of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
CEBRA of Naples	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CELLI of Brewer	R	A	A	A	✓
CHAPMAN of Brooksville	D	x	x	x	x
CHASE of Wells	R	✓	x	✓	x
CHIPMAN of Portland	U	x	x	x	x
CLARK of Millinocket	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
CLARK of Easton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CLARKE of Bath	D	x	x	x	x
CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick	D	x	x	x	x
COTTA of China	R	✓	✓	✓	x
CRAFTS of Lisbon	R	✓	✓	✓	✓

CRAY of Palmyra	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CROCKETT of Bethel	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CURTIS of Madison	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CUSHING of Hampden	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DAMON of Bangor	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DAVIS of Sangerville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DILL of Old Town	D	x	x	x	x
DION of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
DOW of Waldoboro	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
DRISCOLL of Westbrook	D	x	x	x	x
DUCHESNE of Hudson	D	x	x	x	x
DUNPHY of Embden	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
EBERLE of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
EDGECOMB of Caribou	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
ESPLING of New Gloucester	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
EVES of North Berwick	D	x	x	x	x
FITTS of Pittsfield	R	x	x	x	x
FITZPATRICK of Houlton	R	✓	✓	x	✓
FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor	D	x	x	x	x
FLOOD of Winthrop	R	x	x	x	x
FOSSEL of Alna	R	x	x	x	x
FOSTER of Augusta	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
FREDETTE of Newport	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
GIFFORD of Lincoln	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
GILBERT of Jay	D	x	x	✓	x
GILLWAY of Searsport	R	A	A	A	✓
GOODE of Bangor	D	x	x	x	x
GRAHAM of North Yarmouth	D	x	x	x	x
GUERIN of Glenburn	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HAMPER of Oxford	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HANLEY of Gardiner	D	A	✓	A	✓
HARLOW of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HARMON of Palermo	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
HARVELL of Farmington	R	✓	✓	✓	x
HASKELL of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HAYES of Buckfield	D	x	x	x	x
HERBIG of Belfast	D	x	x	x	x
HINCK of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach	D	x	x	x	x
HUNT of Buxton	D	x	x	x	x
INNES of Yarmouth	D	A	A	A	A
JOHNSON of Eddington	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
JOHNSON of Greenville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
KAENRATH of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
KENT of Woolwich	D	x	x	x	x
KESCHL of Belgrade	R	✓	x	x	x
KNAPP of Gorham	R	x	x	x	✓

KNIGHT of Livermore Falls	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
KRUGER of Thomaston	D	x	x	x	x
KUMIEGA of Deer Isle	D	x	x	x	x
LAJOIE of Lewiston	D	✓	x	✓	x
LIBBY of Waterboro	R	x	x	✓	x
LONG of Sherman	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
LONGSTAFF of Waterville	D	x	x	x	x
LOVEJOY of Portland	D	A	A	A	A
LUCHINI of Ellsworth	D	x	x	x	x
MacDONALD of Boothbay	D	x	x	x	x
MAKER of Calais	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
MALABY of Hancock	R	✓	x	✓	✓
MALONEY of Augusta	D	x	x	x	x
MARTIN of Eagle Lake	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
MAZUREK of Rockland	D	x	x	x	x
McCABE of Skowhegan	D	x	x	x	x
McCLELLAN of Raymond	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McFADDEN of Dennysville	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McKANE of Newcastle	R	✓	✓	x	✓
MORISSETTE of Winslow	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
MORRISON of South Portland	D	x	x	x	x
MOULTON of York	R	x	✓	x	x
NASS of Acton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
NELSON of Falmouth	D	x	x	x	x
NEWENDYKE of Litchfield	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
NUTTING of Oakland	R	x	x	x	✓
O'BRIEN of Lincolnville	D	x	x	x	x
O'CONNOR of Berwick	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
OLSEN of Phippsburg	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
PARKER of Veazie	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
PARRY of Arundel	R	x	x	✓	x
PEOPLES of Westbrook	D	x	x	x	x
PETERSON of Rumford	D	x	x	x	✓
PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield	R	✓	x	✓	✓
PILON of Saco	D	x	x	x	x
PLUMMER of Windham	R	x	x	x	x
PRESCOTT of Topsham	R	x	x	x	x
PRIEST of Brunswick	D	x	x	x	x
RANKIN of Hiram	D	x	x	x	x
RICHARDSON of Carmel	R	x	x	x	x
RICHARDSON of Warren	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
RIOUX of Winterport	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
ROCHELO of Biddeford	D	x	x	x	x
ROSEN of Bucksport	R	x	x	x	✓
ROTUNDO of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
RUSSELL of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
SANBORN of Gorham	D	x	x	x	x

SANDERSON of Chelsea	R	✓	✓	A	✓
SARTY of Denmark	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
SHAW of Standish	D	x	x	x	x
SIROCKI of Scarborough	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
STEVENS of Bangor	D	x	x	x	x
STRANG BURGESS of Cumberland	R	x	x	x	x
STUCKEY of Portland	D	x	x	x	x
THERIAULT of Madawaska	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
TILTON of Harrington	R	x	x	x	✓
TIMBERLAKE of Turner	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TREAT of Hallowell	D	x	x	x	x
TURNER of Burlington	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TUTTLE of Sanford	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
VALENTINO of Saco	D	x	x	x	x
VOLK of Scarborough	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WAGNER of Lewiston	D	x	x	x	x
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WEAVER of York	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WEBSTER of Freeport	D	x	x	x	x
WELSH of Rockport	D	x	x	x	x
WILLETTE of Mapleton	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WILLETTE of Presque Isle	R	x	x	x	x
WINSOR of Norway	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WINTLE of Garland	R	A	A	A	A
WOOD of Sabattus	R	x	x	✓	✓

REQUEST TO PRE-PURCHASE
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Choose Life Maine, Inc. in accordance with the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles has initiated the process to make available to the people of Maine a 'CHOOSE LIFE MAINE' specialty license plate. We are required to presell 2,000 license plates before the Bureau will draft the necessary legislation to request the state legislature to put the plate into circulation.

If you would like to help us make this plate available to the people of the State of Maine, please complete the following application (**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**) and submit it with your check for $25.00 payable to CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC. and mail it to us at:

CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC, c/o David Alexander, 2 Ballard Street, Augusta, Maine 04330.

Any monies we eventually raise will be allocated to not-for-profit, life affirming pregnancy support centers & adoption agencies in Maine.

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THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE
COMMITTEE, INC.
512 10TH STREET NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20004
(202) 378-8842 WWW.NRLC.ORG

Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

Renew Your 2013 Membership Today!

Forty years ago, the Supreme Court ruled that an unborn child's fundamental right to life was superseded by a pregnant woman's *"right to life style."*

Since that fateful day, over 55 MILLION precious unborn babies have been sacrificed on the altar of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton. **Today I write to you as a beggar on behalf of our unborn children and our most vulnerable citizens**. We need your financial help in order to continue our battle to protect innocent human life.

The good news is that we are making significant inroads into building a culture of life. The May 2012 Gallup Poll indicates a *record low* 41% consider themselves pro-choice. That's down 7 points from the prior year. Planned Parenthood recently announced dropping their "pro-choice" moniker in order to re-package abortion with deceptive new slogans. The cover of the January 14, 2013 issue of *TIME* magazine declares, *""40 years ago, abortion activists won an epic victory with Roe v Wade. They've been losing ever since."*
And NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League) President, Nancy Keenan, recently stepped down due to her failure to motivate today's youth to support abortion. Today's youth are the largest pro-life segment of our society, in spite of the millions of dollars the abortion lobby and Planned Parenthood spends targeting them.

Here in Maine, the news is equally encouraging. According to 2010 statistics from Maine Center for Disease Control, **abortions in Maine are down for a third year in a row. Additionally, teen abortions are down for a fourth consecutive year**. Building on that momentum, we are pleased to inform you that Maine Right to Life Committee has recently hired a wholly-dedicated lobbyist, Susan Leighton, to assist in our efforts to enact life-affirming legislation in Maine. Please see the enclosed *Life Lines* newsletter for more good news, including the closing of a long-standing abortion center in South Portland. We've got them on the run!

We have a righteous wind at our backs and the truth on our side. But we cannot rest on our laurels, as long as a single human life is in need of a voice.

Ours is an eternal truth that cannot be minimized or denied: **All human life is precious.** Thank you for your vital support as we continue our struggle to protect, to defend, and to cherish the most vulnerable among us.
Please renew your membership to Maine Right to Life today. Our most noble aspirations are futile without your continued generosity. May the Author of Life bless you abundantly for your stewardship.

For Life,

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski

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2013 Membership Renewal/New Membership

Name_____

Address_____

City _____ State_____ ZIP_____ Phone_____

Email (***Please Include!***)_____

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE:
Check Enclosed or Paid Online (at www.MaineRightToLife.com click *Donate*)

CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT Student $15_____ Individual $35_____
Family $50_____ Church or Group $100_____

Additional Donation 40th Memorial of Roe v. Wade $_____

Your Membership May be Given in Memory of a Loved One:

(Please Print) _____

2013 Membership Card

Maine Right to Life Committee

Now Enrolling!!!

Announcing----a program to increase your pro-life knowledge---meet new friends—make a difference in your community!

Pro-Life University

Sponsored by Maine Right to Life Committee

207-782-0101

mrlc@mainerighttolife.com

Classroom Dates:

Saturday, August 3 AND Saturday, August 17, 2013
9AM-5PM both days

MRLC office located at 4 Washington St. in Auburn, Maine 04210
(Knights of Columbus Building, Andy Valley Council, Route 4 at the Rotary in Auburn, ME Turnpike Exit 75)

Join us for a curriculum of----

Beginning of Life Courses	History of Abortion, Fetal Development, Effects of Abortion, etc.
End of Life Courses	Palliative Care, Hospice, Euthanasia, Living Wills, Rationing, etc.
Specialty	Cloning, Embryonic Stem Cell Research, etc.

Elective, non-classroom pro-life endeavors can be conducted at any time between now & the Oct. 2013 Maine Right to Life Committee Convention!

Elective Pro-Life Endeavors—Select any combination of 10 credits to receive your Diploma from Pro-Life University…
PLUS---2 Days Classroom Attendance in August:

Attend 2013 *Hands Around the Capitol* (*2 credits)*
Attend 2013 *March for Life* in D.C. *(4 credits)*
Attend Sidewalk Counseling Training Course *(2 credits)*
Volunteer at a Pregnancy Support Center for 3 hours (*2 credits)*
Call or write your local legislator *(2 credits)*
Register on-line for a pro-life news bulletin such as LifeNews.com, Susan B. Anthony List, MRLC, etc. (*1 credit)*
Write a Pro-Life Letter to the Editor of your local newspaper *(2 credits)*
Participate in Spring or Fall 2013 *40 Days for Life/Pray in Front of Abortion Center*: 3 hours *(2 credits)*
Participate in a Pro-Life Prayer Activity in your church *(2 credits)*
Attend 2013 MRLC Annual Convention in Oct. *(2 credits)*
Read a pro-life book or preview a pro-life movie/video *(1 credit)*
Make a donation of any amount to a pro-life organization *(1 credit)*
Attend a post-abortive seminar or retreat *(2 credits)*
Meet in person with your local legislator to discuss pro-life legislation *(3 credits)*
Participate in *Celebrate Life Walk* July 13, 2013 OR Pregnancy Support Center Walk *(2 credits)*
Attend 2013 National Right to Life Convention *(4 credits)*
Recruit a young adult to pro-life Maine *(2 credits)*
Volunteer to assist with the Mothers Day Carnation project in your church *(2 credits)*
Form a pro-life group at your church or organization *(5 credits)*
Nominate a pro-life leader for the annual *Patricia DeGrinney Life Award (2 credits)*
Present a pro-life program to your church or your organization *(3 credits)*

Seating is limited. Register Today! There is no fee for attendance.

Diplomas will be awarded at MRLC Annual Convention, October 2013 in Portland.

***Note:* Maine Right to Life Committee Board Members may 'sign off' on student requirements.**

Registration packets will be mailed to students this Spring, on a first come, first served basis.

FMI, contact Teresa McCann-Tumidajski at 782-0101 or Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com.

Maine Senate
PRO-LIFE Roll Call
June 2011
125th Legislature

Legend: ✓=Voted **WITH** US X= Voted **AGAINST** Us E= Excused A= Absent

NAME		LD 116, *An Act To Require a 24-hour Waiting Period Prior to an Abortion*	LD 924, *An Act To Educate Women on the Medical Riskd Associated with Abortion*	LD 1457, *An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors and Icapacitated Persons*	LD 1463, *An Act Regarding Offenses Against an Unborn Child*
ALFOND of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
BARTLETT of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
BRANNIGAN of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
COLLINS of York	R	✓	✓	x	✓
COURTNEY of York	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
CRAVEN of Androscoggin	D	x	x	x	x
DIAMOND of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
DILL of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
FARNHAM of Penobscot	R	x	x	x	x
GERZOFSKY of Cumberland	D	x	x	x	x
GOODALL of Sagadahoc	D	E	E	E	E
HASTINGS of Oxford	R	x	x	x	x
HILL of York	D	x	x	x	x
HOBBINS of York	D	x	x	x	x
JACKSON of Aroostook	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
KATZ of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	x
LANGLEY of Hancock	R	x	x	x	x
MARTIN of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	✓
MASON of Androscoggin	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
McCORMICK of Kennebec	R	x	x	x	✓
PATRICK of Oxford	D	✓	x	x	x
PLOWMAN of Penobscot	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
RAYE of Washington	R	x	x	x	✓
RECTOR of Knox	R	x	x	x	x
ROSEN of Hancock	R	x	x	✓	x
SAVIELLO of Franklin	R	✓	✓	x	✓
SCHNEIDER of Penobscot	D	x	x	x	x
SHERMAN of Aroostook	R	✓	x	✓	✓
SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
SULLIVAN of York	D	x	x	x	E

THIBODEAU of Waldo	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
THOMAS of Somerset	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
TRAHAN of Lincoln	R	✓	x	x	✓
WHITTEMORE of Somerset	R	✓	✓	✓	✓
WOODBURY of Cumberland	U	x	x	x	x

Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Suction Curettage	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172	2196	2262
Sharp Curettage	3	7	4	2	0	4	4	9
Dilation & Evacuation	2	3	3	0	6	4	3	11
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	465	437	460	364	276	469	375	235
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	4	15	31
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 9 Weeks	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807	1699	1668
9 Weeks	238	259	279	314	306	288	361	353
10 Weeks	147	166	173	189	184	204	208	229
11 Weeks	89	135	131	145	141	137	135	119
12 Weeks	97	105	123	134	139	107	96	95
13 Weeks	82	96	79	86	81	74	49	41
14 Weeks	5	16	17	10	13	5	6	6
15 Weeks	1	4	8	1	4	3	0	0
16 Weeks	1	2	1	4	1	1	2	5
17 Weeks	3	1	2	1	2	0	3	4
18 Weeks	0	1	1	2	3	9	4	2
19 Weeks	5	6	3	3	7	9	6	5
20+ Weeks	12	3	11	10	12	8	13	16
Unknown	1	5	0	1	0	1	11	7
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
< 10 Years Old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	11	7	7	10	11	12	8	9
15 Years Old	24	18	23	26	26	26	29	32
16 Years Old	29	50	41	57	60	47	48	65
17 Years Old	46	64	97	96	92	115	112	85
18 Years Old	110	127	130	135	140	141	144	140
19 Years Old	166	138	176	169	154	181	173	151
20-24 Years Old	781	853	921	937	966	863	867	919
25-29 Years Old	552	603	597	608	561	569	564	535
30-34 Years Old	324	280	323	335	330	329	318	330
35-39 Years Old	186	193	238	212	209	201	229	194
40-44 Years Old	77	75	64	81	74	85	74	62
Greater than 44	4	5	3	3	3	6	8	4
Unknown	1	0	3	20	46	78	19	24
Total	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total # of Abortions	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**	**2550**
With 1 prior birth	541	557	641	588	560	639	620	628
With 2 prior births	360	395	429	451	453	400	416	427
With 3+ prior births	204	192	206	211	195	214	213	185
Unknown prior births	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior births	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**	**1250**	**1241**
With 1 prior abortion	517	589	656	705	627	621	694	658
With 2 prior abortions	200	230	231	236	207	186	258	201
With 3 + prior abortions	106	117	108	109	80	82	101	81
Unknown prior abortions	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior abortions	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**	**1054**	**941**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	273	277	311	318	309	289	277	274
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	54	64	59	60	59	73	66	47
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	27	33	41	29	26	28	17	28
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**	**361**	**350**

Life Lines

Maine Right to Life Committee

Winter 2014

Maine Abortions are at a Record Low!

The People of Maine are Speaking Loud and Clear:

Abortion is Not the Answer.

According to the 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low. The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year. For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace**. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine**.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period. *This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: Abortion is not the answer.*

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, **which is a 57% increase from 2010.**

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved. Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been Instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators.

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion.

The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while **58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal**. We know that the taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers. But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time, thanks be to God.

"We shall overcome."
—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Renew your 2014 MRLC membership today!

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Hands Around the Capitol——Hundreds Rally for Life—— Governor LePage Receives Standing Ovation from Pro-Life Maine!

Governor Paul LePage

Hundreds of dedicated pro-lifers from across Maine filled St. Michael's Gym in Augusta on January 18 for Maine Right to Life's annual *Hands Around the Capitol* Rally and March commemorating the 41st memorial of the passage of Roe v. Wade. A Prayer Service and Mass were celebrated prior to the Rally. As pro-lifers entered St. Michael's Gym, many were surprised to see Maine's Governor, Paul LePage, among us in the crowd! Governor LePage listened to the speakers attentively from his seat in the audience, and received a standing ovation from pro-life Maine as he approached the stage to address the packed gymnasium. Governor LePage is Maine's first declared pro-life Governor since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

Rally speakers included Rev. Joseph Daniels, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish of Greater Waterville, (representing the Diocese of Portland) and Representative Mike McClellan, District 103, Raymond, who encouraged the audience to become more involved and connected to their local legislators. Carl Maddaleni provided participants with a preview of Maine Vitae Society's upcoming television commercials and MRLC lobbyist, Susan Leighton, provided an overview and summary of proposed pro-life legislation. Pastor Bob Emrich pronounced the Invocation and encouraged those attending the rally to be active with upcoming pro-life legislation, and to not have the day's events be their only pro-life endeavor for the year. Teresa McCann-Tumidajski provided an overview of the program and an update about the historic trends in Maine's abortion reduction.

Rep. Mike McClellan, District 103, Raymond

The Governor rocked the Rally when he reiterated his pro-life beliefs, stating that he is most aptly "Pro-Child." He stressed the importance of families in our state, highlighting that Maine has the 'oldest' population in the nation and efforts to reduce abortion are critical to Maine's ability to sustain our population. He asked everyone in the audience under 41 years old to stand. He said each one of them should thank their parents because they're here today, and not one of the victims of Roe v Wade.

Several hundred Mainers marched in solemn solidarity from St. Michael's gym to the State House. We formed a human chain around the Capitol. As the bell rang 41 times we bowed our heads out of respect of the lives lost since 1973. With each tone of the bell, Rep. Stacey Guerin, (R) Glenburn, placed a rose at the base of the Bell in loving memory of those 56 million innocent babies aborted in our nation over the past 41 years. *Rest in Peace, Precious Little Ones!*

Rep. Stacey Guerin, District 22, Glenburn and Rev. Joseph Daniels, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish of Greater Waterville

Carl J. Maddaleni with wife Denyse Maddaleni and grandson Karl Chamberlain

Carl J. Maddaleni Receives 2013 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

Carl J. Maddaleni of Cape Elizabeth has been awarded the 2013 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention held October 19 in Portland. The announcement was greeted with a standing ovation by the convention attendees. Several members of the Maddaleni family were present for the Award Ceremony including wife of 56 years, Denyse Maddaleni; daughter Alicia Danielson, son-in-law Robert Danielson; daughter Erika Chamberlain, son-in-law John Chamberlain, grandson Karl Chamberlain; sister Susanne Flick and brother-in-law Bob Flick; and niece Sheila Murphy of Massachusetts.

The prestigious statewide Life Award is presented to a Maine citizen aged 12-100 years old who has consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/ handicapped.

Carl Maddaleni is the Director of the Maine Vitae Society, which is the advertising arm of Maine Right to Life Committee. Under Carl Maddaleni's leadership, Maine Vitae Society has aired approximately 90,000 educational television commercials since 1999. In 2005, Maine Vitae Society began advertising on Google 24/7 with the pro-life website www.Teenbreaks.com, with amazing results.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio are at a record low according to the most recent report from Maine Center for Disease Control. *"Carl Maddaleni has been instrumental in this watershed moment. His humble heart is superseded only by the charity within it,"* stated Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life Committee. "*There is no finer recipient of this prestigious Award,*" Tumidajski added.

Members of the DeGrinney family were also present for the 2013 Award Ceremony including son John DeGrinney and his wife Gigi, along with granddaughters Meghan, Maureen, and Grace; daughter Carolyn Mitchell and son-in-law Dan Mitchell; and daughter-in-law Susie DeGrinney.

Former winners of the prestigious statewide Patricia DeGrinney Life Award are:

2012: Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll of New Harbor, ME
2011: Judy Cushing, Executive Director, ABBA, A Women's Resource Ctr., Portland, ME
2010: Margaret Yates, RN, of East Wilton, ME
2009: Patricia Truman of Hallowell, ME

What's Your Pro-Life IQ?

1. How many abortions have been committed in our nation since the passage of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton?
2. Which Maine Senator sponsored LD 1428, *An Act to Protect Religious Freedom?*
3. How much money did taxpayers provide Planned Parenthood in 2012?
4. Who is the founder of Live Action?
5. True or False: According to research conducted by the Elliot Institute, 64% of women felt coerced into aborting their child.
6. What is the name of the March on the West Coast which is the companion to the March for Life in Washington, D.C.?
7. How did your local Maine legislator(s) vote last session on the pro-life bills introduced?
8. Which is the name of the largest pro-life organization in the nation?
9. True or False: The May 2013 Gallup Poll indicates that 35% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances.

Answers on Page 4…
No cheating!

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March 5-April 13, 2014
In front of Family Planning of Maine
43 Gabriel Drive Augusta, ME 04330
Help End Abortion in Maine!

Please participate in Maine's 40 Days for Life Campaign this Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, March 5. This is a powerful prayer-based program committed to preserving innocent human life. Nationally, since the program's inception in 2007, 8,245 lives have been saved from abortion.
There are 3 components to the 40 Days for Life program:
1. Prayer and Fasting 2. Peaceful Vigil 3. Community Outreach.

All participants of the 40 Days for Life Campaign are required to sign a Statement of Peace. We strongly urge every person who believes in the dignity of life to join in the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Remember, prayer is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement! Contact Judy Iconogle at ricejuice@gwi.net to register for this campaign or go to www.40DaysforLifeAugustaMaine for more information. **Join us as we:**

Help women who are at risk of having an abortion.

Help innocent children at risk of perishing.

Pray for men and women who carry the pain and regret of abortion.

Pray for the pro-life conversion of workers at abortion centers.

CHOOSE LIFE MAINE LICENSE PLATES

A traveling pro-life billboard

A new look— the same message— to cultivate a pro-life culture in Maine and to provide Maine's Pregnancy Support Centers with a reliable source of financial assistance on an annual basis.

Twenty-nine states currently have a **Choose Life** license. Will you help Maine be next? Maine's Bureau of Motor Vehicles will make the license plate available if we obtain 2,000 paid advance orders for the license plate.

The initial order cost is $25.00. Annual renewal fees are the same as for any specialized license plate, $15.00. From the renewal fees the State will return $10.00 to Choose Life Maine. In turn Choose Life Maine will allocate the money we receive to Maine's not-for-profit life affirming Pregnancy Support Centers. If all we sell is 2,000 license plates, the State will annually return $20,000 to us to allocate to the pregnancy centers. The more license plates sold, the more financial assistance we can provide. Please place an order today by completing the order form available at www.MaineChooseLife.com or www.MaineRightToLife.com Spread the word! Any questions please call David Alexander at (207) 622-0953 or Roland Bergeron at (207) 782-8308.

Act Now and Bring this Specialty Plate to Maine! We cannot do this without YOUR participation!

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Important DATE!

2014

Respect Life Day, Hall of Flags, Augusta— February 26th

40 Days for Life—March 5th to April 13th, Augusta

Mother's Day Carnation Project—
Flower Deliveries May 8th
Mother's Day May 11th

Celebrate *Life!* Walks statewide—July 12th

Pro-Life University—August 2nd and 16th

MRLC Annual Convention—October 18th

Pray for the pro-life conversion of President Obama.

Did you Know?

Belgian Senate has Passed a Bill Allowing Euthanasia for Children

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On December 12, 2013, (the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe) by a vote of 50 to 17, the Belgian Parliament's upper house passed a bill that will expand the country's liberal euthanasia laws by allowing doctors to end the lives of terminally ill children. Their chamber of Representatives is expected to pass it before May 2014.

Belgium's current euthanasia law (enacted in 2002) requires patients must be 18 or older to qualify for a doctor-induced death. If passed, Belgium would be the first country to have no age limit whatsoever. And there's more---While the proposed law states that parents of even grade-school children must agree to the child's request for death, there is nothing to prevent parents from suggesting this "option" to their child. Although a child cannot buy a house or alcohol in Belgium, this law would allow a child to ask to be killed. Please pray to end the culture of death in our nation and throughout the world. Register for Pro-Life University to become a better advocate for life within your community!

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Maine Right to Life is sponsoring "Respect Life Day" at the Capitol on February 26, 2014 from 9AM-1PM at the Hall of Flags, Augusta. Please join us and other respect life organizations from across Maine! FMI, contact Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com

ANSWERS: "What's your Pro-Life IQ?"

1. Over 56,000,000 (56 MILLION) innocent unborn babies have been sacrificed on the altar of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton. That's 8 times more lives than the Holocaust of World War II.
2. Senator David C. BURNS (R) of Whiting, is the sponsor of LD 1428, an *Act to Protect Religious Freedom.* Contact your Maine legislators to ask for their support of this important bill. Let them know you are following their voting record on the life issues.
3. Planned Parenthood reported receiving a record $542 MILLION in taxpayer support in fiscal 2012. Approximately 45% of their budget comes from **our** tax dollars. Planned Parenthood continues to be the largest abortion provider in our nation, committing a record number of 334,000 abortions in fiscal 2012, or 30% of our nation's 1.1 million abortions. (And no, they don't perform mammograms.)
4. Lila Rose founded Live Action in California when she was only 15 years old. Live Action is a powerful pro-life advocacy organization utilizing investigative reporting to expose the corruption and deceit of the abortion industry.
5. True. A majority of women responded that they felt pressured by others to abort their unborn child. 67% responded that they received no counseling, and 84% stated that they did not feel that they were adequately informed. FMI, go to www.TheUnChoice.com
6. The WALK FOR LIFE West Coast is now conducted in San Francisco each year, as the companion to the March for Life in D.C. held to commemorate the fateful passage of Roe v. Wade.
7. Go to www.MaineRightToLife.com home page. Scroll down to "*Pro-Life Roll Call*" to see how your local Maine Senator and Representative voted on the life bills brought forward last session. Again, let them know how you feel about their votes! U.S. Congressional Voting Records are also available on MRLC website. Be informed and pro-active for life!
8. National Right to Life is the largest and longest running national pro-life organization in our country, founded in 1968 with 50 state right- to- life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters. FMI, go to www.NationalRightToLife.org.
9 False. Only 26% want abortion on demand for any reason. A whopping 58% stated they want all or most abortions prohibited. The paradigm has shifted in favor of life, once again!

Your Score:
7-9 Correct Answers: Pro-Life Patron
3-6 Correct: Pro-Life Friend
1-2 Correct: Visit our pro-life resource library.

Perseverance and Prayer…
Congratulations, Pro- Life Maine!
We are changing hearts, minds and behaviors in favor of life…
one precious child at a time.

For more information visit www.MaineRightToLife.com

"When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hang on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn."
--Harriet Beecher Stowe

Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

Ann M. LePage

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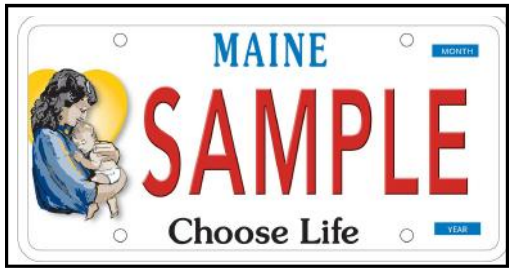
First Lady of Maine



PRE– ORDER FORM
"CHOOSE LIFE MAINE" SPECIALITY LICENSE PLATE

Choose Life Maine, Inc. in accordance with the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles has initiated the process to make available to the people of Maine a "CHOOSE LIFE MAINE" specialty license plate. We are required to obtain 2,000 pre-paid orders for the license plate before the Bureau will draft the necessary legislation to request the state legislature to put the plate into circulation.

If you would like to help us make this plate available to the people of the State of Maine, please complete the following application (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) and submit it with your check or money order for $25.00 payable to CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC. and mail it to us at:

CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC., c/o David Alexander, 2 Ballard Street, Augusta, Maine 04330; Phone: (207) 622-0953

All proceeds we will eventually receive from the State will be allocated to not-for-profit, life affirming pregnancy support centers licensed and resident in the State of Maine.

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ONLY YOUR NAME & ADDRESS WILL BE SENT TO THE MAINE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES; WE DO NOT SHARE YOUR INFORMATION!

If we fail to sell the required number of pre-paid orders or the legislature decides to disapprove our application your money will be returned. You may request a refund and cancel your order at any time. Requests must be in writing.

SIGNAURE:_____

Our email address: www.MeChoose-Life.org **Please keep a copy of this order for your records.**

Please make copies of this form and give them out to family and friends.

THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE
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Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

Kermit Gosnell

Pulling Back the Curtain on the Reality of Abortion

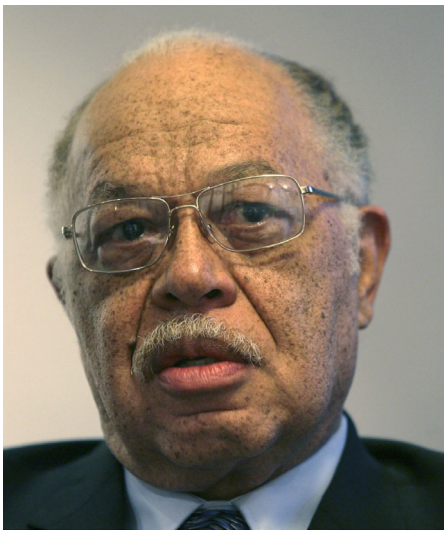
The Facts

In April 2013, abortionist Kermit Gosnell was convicted on three counts of murder in the deaths of 3 newborn babies.

Gosnell routinely delivered live babies and then ended their lives by severing their spinal cords with scissors. The Grand Jury Report estimates hundreds of babies met similar fates at Gosnell's Philadelphia abortion center.

Gosnell preyed on vulnerable women with his abortion business and subjected them to dangerous and unsanitary conditions. One woman named Karnamaya Mongar died at Gosnell's center after an overdose of Demerol. After Mongar's death, a former employee said Gosnell reassured her that she'd done nothing wrong.

According to the Grand Jury Report, for political reasons, the PA Department of Health ceased inspections of abortion centers allowing the atrocities to continue for years.



"This case is about a doctor who killed babies and endangered women...Over the years, many people came to know that something was going on here. But no one put a stop to it."
- Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

"Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn't call it that. He called it "ensuring fetal demise." The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby's neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that "snipping." - Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

Media Blackout

Initially, the media refused to cover the Gosnell case. Pro-life advocates and bloggers stormed social media to compel the media to cover the trial. The effort led to national coverage and resulted in a Fox News documentary entitled "See No Evil."

"I asked one of the court staff why so few are interested.
'If you're pro-choice, do you really want anybody to know about this,' he said, motioning to the filthy medical equipment set up in the courtroom."
– JD Mullane, reporter for the Bucks County Courier Times *

"Infant beheadings. Severed baby feet in jars. A child screaming after it was delivered alive during an abortion procedure…Let me state the obvious. This should be front page news…
We've forgotten what belongs on Page One." - columnist Kirsten Powers*

Implications

The Gosnell case provides further evidence that a great deal of the late abortion iceberg is below the water.

Kermit Gosnell was convicted of murder for severing the necks of just-born babies, but those babies would have died just as painfully if he had killed them inside the womb, as most late-term abortionists do. The result is the same for the baby whether it meets its end in a shabby clinic like Gosnell's or a brand new Planned Parenthood facility -- a painful death.

"(Details of the Gosnell trial) have shocked the nation's conscience regarding the culture of abortion. This trial and this verdict will generate serious discussion about abortion policy in the United States and elsewhere." - blogger Mollie Ziegler Hemingway*

"Gosnell pulls the curtain back from the inherent violence of abortion. You can't sit in that courtroom and learn about what abortion does to the unborn child and to the woman in many cases … you can't sit there day after day and week after week and listen to that testimony and not be changed, and not have a change of heart, or at least reconsider your position." – reporter JD Mullane*

Protecting Life

National Right to Life strongly supports the passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

UNBORN BABIES FEEL PAIN!

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act would provide nationwide protection for unborn children who are capable of feeling pain, beginning at 20 weeks fetal age (equivalent to "22 weeks of pregnancy"), the beginning of the sixth month.

"This legislation reflects the views of the overwhelming majority of both men and women," said NRLC President Carol Tobias. "The Obama White House, and all but a handful of House Democrats, fought for essentially unlimited abortion in the sixth month or later, despite growing public awareness of the violence perpetrated by late-term abortionists such as Kermit Gosnell and the pain they inflict on unborn babies."

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Hickman	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Road	Winthrop	ME	04364	(207) 377-3276 craighickman@rocketmail.com	X	X	X	A	✓
Hobbins	Barry	D	22 Glenhaven Circle	Saco	ME	04072	(207) 229-8996 bhobbins@hobbinslaw.com	X	✓	X	X	X
Hubbell	Brian	D	66 Park Street	Bar Harbor	ME	04609	(207) 288-3947 RepBrian.Hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
Jackson	Roger	R	50 Hebron Road	Oxford	ME	04270	(207) 539-4613 reproger.jackson@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	David	R	107 Rooks Road	Eddington	ME	04428	(207) 843-6929 djhouse20@gmail.com	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	Peter	R	P. O. Box 697	Greenville	ME	04441	(207) 695-2019 rumridge27@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jones	Brian	D	12 Burnham Hill Road	Freedom	ME	04941	(207) 385-5226 representativebrianjones@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X
Jorgensen	Erik	D	83 Highland Street	Portland	ME	04103	(207) 939-7120 ejorgensen@maine.rr.com	X	X	X	X	X
Kaenrath	Bryan	D	P. O. Box 2168	South Portland	ME	04116	(207) 409-7137 kaenrath@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X
Kent	Peter	D	182 Montsweag Road	Woolwich	ME	04579	(207) 442-9255 pskentz5@hotmail.com	A	X	X	X	X
Keschl	Dennis	R	1024 Wings Mills Road	Belgrade	ME	04917	(207) 495-2973 keschl@yahoo.com	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Kinney	Jonathan	R	179 Beaver Berry Road	Limington	ME	04049	(207) 637-2366 repkinney@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knight	L.	R	453 Moose Hill Road	Livermore Falls	ME	04254	(207) 897-2489 LGary.Knight@usa.net	A	A	✓	✓	✓
Kornfield	Victoria	D	48 Madison Street	Bangor	ME	04401	(207) 947-7224 RepTori.Kornfield@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	X	X	X
Kruger	Chuck	D	37 Green Street	Thomaston	ME	04861	(207) 354-8239 cbkruger@myfairpoint.net	X	X	A	A	A

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Kusiak	Karen	D	66 Bray Avenue	Fairfield	ME	04937	(207) 453-6834 karen.kusiak@colby.edu	X	X	X	X	X
Lajoie	Michel	D	279 Old Greene Road	Lewiston	ME	04240	(207) 783-1927 lajoie1@midmaine.com	X	A	X	X	X
Libby	Nathan	D	12 Orange Street	Lewiston	ME	04240	(207) 399-7993 RepNathan.Libby@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
Libby	Aaron	R	P. O. Box 343	North Waterboro	ME	04061	(207) 247-6461 RepAaron.Libby@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	X	✓	✓
Lockman	Lawrence	R	10 Perry Lane	Amherst	ME	04605	(207) 584-5900 RepLawrence.Lockman@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Long	Ricky	R	756 Island Falls Road	Sherman	ME	04776	(207) 365-4704 rdl_chief@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Longstaff	Thomas	D	39 Pleasant Street	Waterville	ME	04901	(207) 872-6617 thomas.longstaff@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
Luchini	Louis	D	P. O. Box 1311	Ellsworth	ME	04605	(207) 664-4699 louieluchini@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
MacDonald	W.	D	656 Back River Road	Boothbay	ME	04537	(207) 633-0570 bmacdon@roadrunner.com	X	✓	X	X	X
MacDonald	Sharri	R	171 Portland Avenue	Old Orchard Beac	ME	04064	(207) 590-4201 smacdonald@maine.rr.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maker	Joyce	R	89 Lafayette Street	Calais	ME	04619	(207) 454-2327 gjmaker@gmail.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Malaby	Richard	R	52 Cross Road	Hancock	ME	04640	(207) 422-3146 rsmalaby@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marean	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road	Hollis	ME	04042	(207) 727-5527 lindonfarm@sacoriver.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marks	Timothy	D	640 Kelley Road	Pittston	ME	04345	(207) 582-6798 RepTim.Marks@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	X	X	X
Mason	Andrew	D	899 Middlesex Road	Topsham	ME	04086	(207) 449-1502 andrew@andrewmason.pro	X	X	X	X	X
Mastraccio	Anne-Marie	D	23 Lebanon Street	Sanford	ME	04073	(207) 324-8692 annemariemastraccio@icloud.com	X	✓	X	X	X
McCabe	Jeff	D	13 Olive Street	Skowhegan	ME	04976	(207) 474-5402 RepJeff.McCabe@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	X	X	X
McClellan	Michael	R	27 Pismire Mountain Road	Raymond	ME	04071	(207) 655-4438 mmcclell@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
McElwee	Carol	R	54 Pioneer Avenue	Caribou	ME	04736	(207) 498-8605 cmcelwee@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Moonen	Matthew	D	17 Pine Street #2	Portland	ME	04102	(207) 332-7823 matt.moonen@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X
Moriarty	Stephen	D	34 Blanchard Road	Cumberland	ME	04021	(207) 829-5095 smoriarty108@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X
Morrison	Terry	D	13 Ocean Street	South Portland	ME	04106	(207) 831-0828 tmorrison16@msn.com	X	✓	X	X	X
Nadeau	Allen	R	545 Caribou Road	Fort Kent	ME	04743	(207) 231-1201 wtpfordist1@yahoo.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Nadeau	Catherine	D	23 Patterson Avenue	Winslow	ME	04901	(207) 873-2025 nadeau1@roadrunner.com	X	✓	X	X	✓
Nelson	Mary	D	213 Foreside Road	Falmouth	ME	04105	(207) 781-3750 mpn3@maine.rr.com	A	✓	X	X	X
Newendyke	Melvin	R	84 Small Road	Litchfield	ME	04350	(207) 268-2553 mln@fairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Noon	William	D	78 Sunset Road	Springvale	ME	04083	(207) 432-1790 NoonforMaine@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X
Nutting	Robert	R	P. O. Box 100	Oakland	ME	04963	(207) 465-7139 bob@bobnutting.com	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Parry	Wayne	R	851 Alfred Road	Arundel	ME	04046	(207) 286-9145 RepWayne.Parry@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Pease	Jethro	R	287 South Main Street	Morrill	ME	04952	(207) 342-5910 RepJethro.Pease@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peavey Haskell	Anita	R	17 Pine Street	Milford	ME	04461	(207) 827-7296 RepAnita.Peaveyhaskell@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peoples	Ann	D	22 Garfield Street	Westbrook	ME	04092	(207) 856-7264 annpeoples116@msn.com	X	X	X	X	X
Peterson	Matthew	D	1106 Route 2	Rumford	ME	04276	(207) 776-8051 petersonhouse08@gmail.com	X	A	A	A	A
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Reed	Roger	R	278 Murray Road	Carmel	ME	04419	(207) 848-5136 rogerreed60@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rochelo	Megan	D	P. O. Box 2433	Biddeford	ME	04005	(207) 929-0110 megan.rochelo@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
Rotundo	Margaret	D	446 College Street	Lewiston	ME	04240	(207) 784-3259 mrotundo@bates.edu	X	✓	X	X	X
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Sanborn	Linda	D	170 Spiller Road	Gorham	ME	04038	(207) 939-2879 lindafsanborn@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
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Stuckey	Peter	D	20 Vaill Street	Portland	ME	04103	(207) 773-3345 pstuckey114@yahoo.com	X	X	X	X	X
Theriault	Charles	D	116 22nd Avenue	Madawaska	ME	04756	(207) 728-4526 kent23@myfairpoint.net	X	A	A	A	A
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Tipping-Spitz	Ryan	D	279 Main St	Orono	ME	04473	(207) 866-4333 oronoryan@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
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Villa	Lisa	D	P. O. Box 427	Harrison	ME	04040	(207) 712-5222 Villa98staterep@gmail.com	A	✓	X	X	X
Volk	Amy	R	4 Elbridge Oliver Way	Scarborough	ME	04074	(207) 883-1963 avolk@volkboxes.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wallace	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street	Dexter	ME	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Weaver	Windol	R	4 Weavers Way	York	ME	03909	(207) 363-4641 wcw63@aol.com	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Welsh	Joan	D	54 Sea Street	Rockport	ME	04856	(207) 236-6554 joanwelsh08@gmail.com	X	✓	X	X	X
Werts	R.	D	556 Pownal Road	Auburn	ME	04210	(207) 783-6931 rw556@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X
Willette	Alexander	R	106 Hanson Lake Road	Mapleton	ME	04757	(207) 768-1516 alexander.willette@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Winchenbach	Ellen	R	1121 Manktown Road	Waldoboro	ME	04572	(207) 832-2005 ellenaw12@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winsor	Tom	R	107 Thurston Road	Norway	ME	04268	(207) 527-2233 twinsor@megalink.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wood	Stephen	R	P. O. Box 927	Sabattus	ME	04280	(207) 740-3723 woodysnavy@aol.com	✓	X	X	✓	✓

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8	Alfond	Justin	D	134 Sheridan St.	Portland	ME	04101	justin@justinalfond.com 207-828-0277	X	—	X	X	X
6	Boyle	James	D	25 Dundee Rd.	Gorham	ME	04038	senjames.boyle@legislature.maine.gov c:207-899-9606	X	—	X	X	X
29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd.	Whiting	ME	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
30	Cain	Emily	D	103 Forest Ave.	Orono	ME	04473	emily.cain@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St.	Auburn	ME	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd.	Wells	ME	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
16	Craven	Margaret	D	41 Russell St.	Lewiston	ME	04240	mmcraven@roadrunner.com 207-783-1897	X	—	X	X	X
33	Cushing	Andre	R	PO Box 211	Hampden	ME	04444	andre@andrecushing.com 207-358-9447	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
4	Dutremble	David	D	536 Elm St.	Biddeford	ME	04005	ddutrem1@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr.	Winthrop	ME	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	✓	—	X	✓	X
10	Gerzofsky	Stanley	D	3 Federal St.	Brunswick	ME	04011	stan1340@aol.com 207-373-1328	X	—	X	X	X
32	Gratwick	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Ave.	Bangor	ME	04401	Sengeoff.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X

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9	Haskell	Anne	D	31 Higgins St.	Portland	ME	04101	annehask@maine.rr.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
1	Hill	Dawn	D	PO Box 701	Cape Neddick	ME	03902	SenDawn.Hill@Legislature.maine.gov 207-337-3689	X	—	X	X	X
35	Jackson	Troy	D	167 Allagash Rd.	Allagash	ME	04774	SenTroy.Jackson@legislature.maine.gov 207-436-0763	X	—	✓	✓	X
20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd.	Somerville	ME	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	X	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St.	Augusta	ME	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	✓	—	X	✓	X
25	Lachowicz	Colleen	D	One Kelsey St., #2	Waterville	ME	04901	sencolleen.lachowicz@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St.	Ellsworth	ME	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	✓	—	X	X	X
17	Mason	Garrett	R	312 Ridge Rd.	Lisbon Falls	ME	04252	SenGarrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov 207-577-1521	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
22	Mazurek	Edward	D	65 Beech St.	Rockland	ME	04841	edmazurek1@aol.com 207-594-5647	X	—	X	X	X
7	Millett	Rebecca	D	12 Waumbek Rd.	Cape Elizabeth	ME	04107	senrebeccamillett@gmail.com 207-415-3903	X	—	X	X	X
14	Patrick	John	D	206 Strafford Ave.	Rumford	ME	04276	johnpat2000@hotmail.com 207-364-7666	X	—	X	X	X
12	Plummer	Gary	R	248 Gray Rd.	Windham	ME	04062	senG.plummer@legislature.maine.gov 207-892-6088	✓	—	✓	X	X
18	Saviello	Thomas	R	60 Applegate Ln.	Wilton	ME	04294	drtom16@hotmail.com 207-645-3420	✓	—	✓	✓	X
34	Sherman	Roger	R	PO Box 682	Houlton	ME	04730	Senroger.sherman@legislature.maine.gov 207-532-7073	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
23	Thibodeau	Michael	R	169 Coles Corner Rd.	Winterport	ME	04496	senatorthibodeau@aol.com 207-223-5177	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
27	Thomas	Douglas	R	306 Stream Rd.	Ripley	ME	04643	firewood@tds.net 207-277-3017	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
3	Tuttle	John	D	176 Cottage St.	Sanford	ME	04073	SenJohn.Tuttle@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
5	Valentino	Linda	D	PO Box 1049	Saco	ME	04072	senatorvalentino@gmail.com c:207-205-0077	X	—	X	X	X

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19	Vitelli	Eloise	D	73 Newtown Rd.	Arrowsic	ME	04530	senEloise.vitelli@legislature.maine.gov 207-798-1290	X	—	—	—	—
26	Whittemore	Rodney	R	PO Box 96	Skowhegan	ME	04976	rodwhittemore@gmail.com 207-474-6703	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
11	Woodbury	Richard	U	174 Oakwood Dr.	Yarmouth	ME	04096	Dick@dickwoodbury.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	—	X	X	X
31	Youngblood	Edward	R	735 N. Main St.	Brewer	ME	04412	edmyoungblood@gmail.com 207-989-3303	✓	—	✓	✓	✓

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In front of Family Planning of Maine
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Help End Abortion in Maine!

Please participate in Maine's 40 Days for Life Campaign this Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, March 5. This is a powerful prayer-based program committed to preserving innocent human life. Nationally, since the program's inception in 2007, 8,245 lives have been saved from abortion.

There are 3 components to the 40 Days for Life program:

1. Prayer and Fasting 2. Peaceful Vigil 3. Community Outreach.

All participants of the 40 Days for Life Campaign are required to sign a Statement of Peace. We strongly urge every person who believes in the dignity of life to join in the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Remember, prayer is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement!

Contact Judy Iconogle at ricejuice@gwi.net to register for this campaign or go to www.40DaysforLife.com/Augusta-Maine for more information.

Join us as we: *Help women who are at risk of having an abortion.*

Help innocent children at risk of perishing.

Pray for men and women who carry the pain and regret of abortion.

Pray for the pro-life conversion of workers at abortion centers.

Maine is Choosing Life!

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Abortions-Maine residents	2611	2541	2330	2226	1644
Pregnancies-Maine residents	16787	16208	15843	15236	14404
ME Population, Female age 15-44	253292	250005	245825	241923	239185
U.S. Abortion Ratio	*22.9*	*23.2*	*22.7*		
ME Abortion Ratio/pregnancies, %	15.6	15.7	14.7	14.6	11.4
U.S. Abortion Rate	*15.8*	*15.9*	*15.1*		
ME Abortion Rate /1000 pop	10.3	10.2	9.5	9.2	6.9

- Between 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6% while those choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.
- From 2007- 2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%.
- The overall rate of women age 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3 in 2007 to 6.9 in 2011.

Abortion Rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.
Abortion Ratio is the number of abortions per live births.

The total number of pregnancies is the number of live births, the number of fetal demise, and the number of induced abortion for Maine residents. Abortions that are performed in Maine to non-residents are not included in the calculation.
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More and more Maine women are turning away from abortion. This downward trajectory reflects a profound shift in changing hearts and minds to the pro-life message of love and compassion.

Our news gets even more encouraging when we look at the rapid decline in abortions among Maine's young people aged 12-24. Abortions in this demographic have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. Alleluia!

Through perseverance, prayer, education, and advocacy, the tide has turned. The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life has inherent value and dignity. Today's ultrasound machine provides a panoramic window into the womb. These ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. That precious unborn child can no longer be ignored or marginalized as a so-called "blob of tissue."

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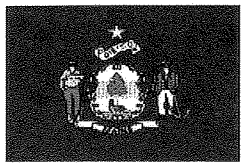

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M.D. Harmon: Planned Parenthood buffer zone a fundamental threat to liberty

Laws that prevent one side from engaging in civil conversation but permit the other can't be tolerated.

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear."

– George Orwell, original preface to "Animal Farm"

The Portland City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve an ordinance that tells Mr. Orwell where to put his pious declarations about vacuous concepts such as "liberty."

It offers the same message to the Founders, who thought freedom of speech vital enough to protect it in the First Amendment.

However, we are now told, such foolish vaporings should only apply as long as no one objects to them.

Such objectors, who may be made "uncomfortable," "feel bad" or even claim to be "intimidated" by others' speech, now have a veto over their rights.

Such is the case in Portland, where for about 18 months, a dozen or so pro-life advocates have lined a Congress Street sidewalk outside the local offices of Planned Parenthood and held signs and directed comments at that facility's staff and clients.

If, as some patrons and staff claim, such comments are personally condemnatory, I would join in criticizing them. One does not support a moral cause by acting in an immoral manner.

On the other hand, if it is wrong to kill an innocent baby in its mother's womb, it is wrong no matter who says what about it.

And not enough attention has been paid to the organization they are protesting, because Planned Parenthood in America:

• Is the nation's largest abortion provider: In the 2011 fiscal year, it says it performed 333,964 abortions, or one abortion every 94 seconds, totaling more than a third of all "terminations" performed in the United States.

• Claims such procedures amount to only "3 percent" of its activities: But some who are familiar with its procedures, including former clinic director Abby Johnson of Texas, say that it manipulates numbers to minimize what abortion adds to the group's bottom line.

• Operates an extremely lucrative enterprise: Its assets total more than $1.2 billion; its CEO, Cecile Richards, makes nearly $400,000 a year.

• And soaks in taxpayer subsidies: Last year, the group took in $542 million in state and federal grants, even as the sequester was cutting funding for government activities such as the National Park Service, aid to disabled children and the military.

But let's return to "buffer zones." Portland has established a 39-foot exclusionary zone around the organization's office, forcing protesters across the street and preventing conversations with people entering the building.

However, as the Boston Globe's Jeff Jacoby pointed out in a Nov. 10 column, the U.S. Supreme Court is poised to take up McCullen v. Coakley, a Massachusetts suit challenging that state's 35-foot exclusionary zones.

It is, as Jacoby noted, "the strictest such law in the nation. Violators can be punished with up to 30 months in prison and fines of up to $30,000."

That isn't the only high court involvement with this issue. On Tuesday, justices refused on a 5-4 vote to block a Texas law requiring doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital.

The law was based on a Pennsylvania measure enacted after Dr. Kermit Gosnell of Philadelphia was convicted of murdering three babies and involuntary manslaughter in the death of a client.

Abortion supporters said the Texas law would close a third of that state's abortion facilities.

But shouldn't the fact that such sites are obviously staffed by "providers" who lack the qualifications to have clients admitted for hospital care be a more important public concern?

Regarding the protesters, many laws apply to speech-related crimes such as slander, libel and the famous "falsely shouting 'Fire!' in a crowded theater."

Still, laws that block protesters from having a civil conversation with another person on a public sidewalk, while letting clinic staffers speak with whomever they want in the same place, privilege pro-abortion speech and penalize its opposite. That would have driven the Founders bonkers.

As Jacoby said, "A lot of people don't want to hear that abortion is wrong, or to be confronted with images of babies in the womb, or to be reminded that 'choice' is a euphemism for the destruction of human life. Many Americans may find such messages alarming, outrageous, or upsetting, especially when they are directed at girls or women going to get an abortion."

And because they don't want to hear it, they use the power of government against their opponents.

But, Jacoby adds, "the First Amendment wasn't written to shield citizens in public spaces from unpopular or distressing speech. It was written to shield unpopular or distressing speech from being suppressed in public spaces."

Right now, Portland can do what it wants. Sometime next year, though, we may discover that

what it wants to do isn't what the Constitution says it is allowed to do.

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Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Suction Curettage	1393	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172	2196
Sharp Curettage	1	3	7	4	2	0	4	4
Dilation & Evacuation	17	2	3	3	0	6	4	3
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	357	465	437	460	364	276	469	375
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Unknown	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	15
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
< 9 Weeks	1224	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807	1699
9 Weeks	177	238	259	279	314	306	288	361
10 Weeks	105	147	166	173	189	184	204	208
11 Weeks	93	89	135	131	145	141	137	135
12 Weeks	87	97	105	123	134	139	107	96
13 Weeks	53	82	96	79	86	81	74	49
14 Weeks	16	5	16	17	10	13	5	6
15 Weeks	5	1	4	8	1	4	3	0
16 Weeks	0	1	2	1	4	1	1	2
17 Weeks	2	3	1	2	1	2	0	3
18 Weeks	4	0	1	1	2	3	9	4
19 Weeks	0	5	6	3	3	7	9	6
20+ Weeks	6	12	3	11	10	12	8	13
Unknown	1	1	5	0	1	0	1	11
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**	**2593**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
< 10 Years Old	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	7	11	7	7	10	11	12	8
15 Years Old	9	24	18	23	26	26	26	29
16 Years Old	21	29	50	41	57	60	47	48
17 Years Old	48	46	64	97	96	92	115	112
18 Years Old	81	110	127	130	135	140	141	144
19 Years Old	95	166	138	176	169	154	181	173
20-24 Years Old	616	781	853	921	937	966	863	867
25-29 Years Old	415	552	603	597	608	561	569	564
30-34 Years Old	260	324	280	323	335	330	329	318
35-39 Years Old	155	186	193	238	212	209	201	229
40-44 Years Old	50	77	75	64	81	74	85	74
Greater than 44	2	4	5	3	3	3	6	8
Unknown	11	1	0	3	20	46	78	19
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total # of Abortions	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**
With 1 prior birth	391	541	557	641	588	560	639	620
With 2 prior births	297	360	395	429	451	453	400	416
With 3+ prior births	151	204	192	206	211	195	214	213
Unknown prior births	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior births	**846**	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**	**1250**
With 1 prior abortion	427	517	589	656	705	627	621	694
With 2 prior abortions	148	200	230	231	236	207	186	258
With 3 + prior abortions	69	106	117	108	109	80	82	101
Unknown prior abortions	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior abortions	**651**	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**	**1054**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	220	273	277	311	318	309	289	277
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	56	54	64	59	60	59	73	66
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	27	27	33	41	29	26	28	17
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**309**	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**	**361**

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Total Abortions In Maine Decrease AGAIN!

State of Maine Abortion Statistics for 2011

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It gets even more encouraging when one looks at the rapid decline among young people, those aged 12-24. Abortions in this group have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. In 2006 abortions in this young group amounted to **1,449**. By 2011 the number had dropped to **880**, a decline of **569** or 39.3%.

The Year-to-Year Numbers 2006-2011*

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
1773	2311	2413	2623	2689	**2672**
-23.30%	-4.20%	-8.00%	-2.45%	0.01%	

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR 12 - 24 YEAR OLDS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
880	1167	1257	1395	1430	**1449**
-24.60%	-7.20%	-9.90%	-2.50%	-1.30%	

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Unprecedented Reduction in Abortion Statewide

Induced Abortions by County of Residence
2000-2011* Maine Data

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Androscoggin	177	162	158	190	176	185	224	229	201	195	180	131
Aroostook	60	70	30	41	44	41	44	54	55	44	58	43
Cumberland	761	776	778	787	812	845	814	852	793	712	680	433
Franklin	63	50	59	53	54	63	62	51	50	41	49	36
Hancock	94	67	48	77	90	91	95	104	103	85	93	68
Kennebec	229	206	200	232	243	224	256	251	233	203	193	161
Knox	86	72	74	92	87	89	75	60	71	69	83	55
Lincoln	49	52	47	68	54	62	56	54	64	50	55	30
Oxford	84	98	85	103	82	97	101	79	102	71	81	65
Penobscot	269	246	187	242	213	203	248	272	250	289	223	216
Piscataquis	16	23	12	22	20	15	20	18	22	17	17	9
Sagadahoc	63	73	78	78	75	70	72	61	71	61	48	38
Somerset	88	93	87	86	76	76	70	88	68	70	64	72
Waldo	55	65	45	68	75	63	64	58	72	77	70	49
Washington	38	35	31	22	28	33	47	31	36	36	31	27
York	313	353	312	312	355	357	336	349	350	315	304	209
Unknown	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2
Out of State	85	74	83	77	109	139	85	75	63	78	82	129
Total	2,536	2,515	2,315	2,550	2,593	2,653	2,669	2686	2,604	2,413	2,311	1,773

Notes:
* 2011 Preliminary Data

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2010 – 2011 Abortion % +/-	
Androscoggin	- 27%
Aroostook	- 26%
Cumberland	- 36%
Franklin	- 26.5%
Hancock	- 27%
Kennebec	- 16.5%
Knox	- 34%
Lincoln	- 45%
Oxford	- 20%
Penobscot	- 3%
Piscataquis	- 47%
Sagadahoc	- 20.8%
Somerset	+ 12.5%
Waldo	- 30%
Washington	- 13%
York	- 31%
Out of State	+ 57%

Note:

- Between 2010-2011, residents in 15 out of 16 counties reduced the number of abortions.
- Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (- 31%), which are Maine's most populated counties.
- Out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010.

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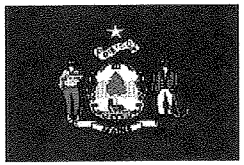

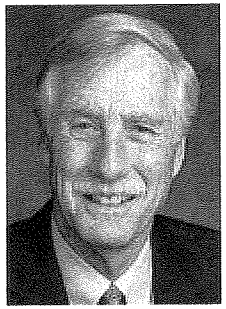

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On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Maine Right to Life Committee Announces Historic Reduction in Abortions

(Auburn, ME) According to the recently released 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low.

The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year.

For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine, according to Maine Right to Life Committee Executive Director, Teresa McCann-Tumidajski.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period.

"This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: abortion is not the answer," states Tumidajski.

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010. *"We want people coming to our beautiful state to **raise** their families here, not reduce them," Tumidajski commented.*

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved.

Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

"There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment, "states Tumidajski.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

"The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious," Tumidajski added.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators. These images are used in Birth Announcements, and even *Show and Tell* for Kindergarteners who anxiously want to share a picture of their new little brother or sister with their classmates. At 8 weeks gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. More and more states are enacting legislation that reflects the changing will of the people that want to restrict abortion on demand.

For nearly 40 years, Maine Right to Life has worked to provide a voice for Maine's most vulnerable via education and advocacy, reaching hundreds of thousands of Maine people. Over the past 16 years, Maine Right to Life's advertising arm, Maine Vitae Society, has broadcast over 100,000 television commercials throughout Maine. Since 2005, Vitae helped educate over 130,000 young people with interactive visits to the pro-life website, Teenbreaks.com. Maine's 25 Pregnancy Support Centers have opened their hearts and doors to women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy and have offered their love and life-affirming services for free, without the aid of millions of taxpayer dollars. Prayer warriors and peaceful grassroots activists have worked together to form a fertile, life-affirming base which offers true compassion for life, and not the hollow promises of "choice." For decades, valiant post-abortive women have testified before legislative committees in Augusta, pleading for mandatory waiting periods and informed consent legislation such as is required with any other medical procedure. Pro-life organizations, legislators, and candidates have worked tirelessly to educate their fellow citizens and legislators that abortion is not the answer. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while 58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal.

"The taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it," Tumidajski adds.

"*Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education.*

But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with regard to STDs like gonorrhea. Maine CDC reports incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past 4 years," Tumidajski notes. There is now an alarming world-wide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Or consider the Bloomberg Report Sept. 3, 2013 reporting abortion clinics closing at a record pace since 2011. At least 58 U.S. abortion clinics (almost 1 in 10) have closed or stopped providing abortions. Over the past 3 years, an average of 19 abortion clinics have shut down, including Dr. Kermitt Gosnell's abortion clinic in

Pennsylvania. Here in Maine, the Alan Guttmacher Institute reports 13 abortion providers in 2008, which is a reduction from the 15 abortion providers the Institute reported in 2000. You may recall the closing of the Family Planning Clinic in South Portland in 2012 due to "lack of numbers" at that site.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers.

But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

"Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time," Tumidajski concludes.

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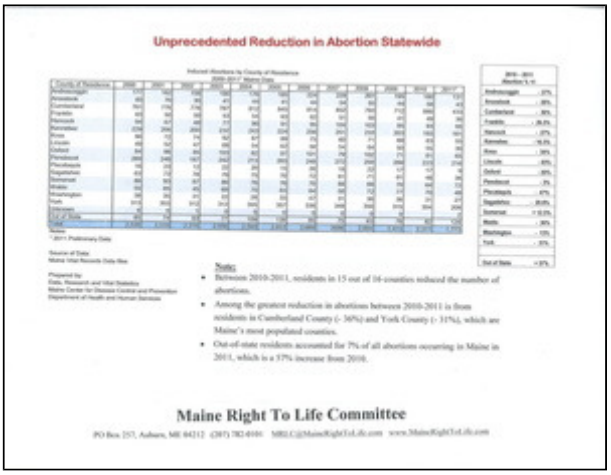
Maine Voices: Abortion numbers show tide is turning, minds are changing

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear that abortion is not the answer.

By TERESA McCANN-TUMIDAJSKI

AUBURN — There is a paradigm shift in the women's movement.



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In 2011, abortions dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine.

In fact, 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced numbers of abortions.

Maine's most populated counties, Cumberland and York, saw decreases in abortion by 36 percent and 31 percent respectively.

This is truly a watershed moment.

You may recall former President Clinton stating, "Abortion should be safe, legal and rare." Why, then, is there a virtual blackout by Maine's mainstream media of this glorious news?

There is no single, silver bullet to attribute this unprecedented decline in abortions. Decades of perseverance, education and grass-roots advocacy by thousands of dedicated and compassionate pro-life Mainers have been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment. Pro-life organizations, pregnancy resource centers, prayer groups, valiant post-abortive women and technology are now aligned.

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Maine's abortion numbers, rate and ratio have plummeted. The tide is turning. We are changing hearts, minds, attitudes and behaviors in favor of life, one precious child at a time. True compassion and caring for women and their unborn children in need will ultimately trump the

hollow, barren ring of “choice.”

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called “war on women” intended to “judge” or “shame” women, even though poll after poll, year after year, indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26 percent favor legalized abortion under any circumstances. Does that mean 74 percent of Americans want to shame women? I don’t think so.

Yes, there is a paradigm shift. The so-called “war on women” has really become a war within the womb.

And the precious pearl deep within the womb is of inestimable value. Indeed, it is nature’s most vulnerable and prized resource: the unborn human child.

And it looks like that tiny, innocent baby is finally starting to win.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski is executive director of the Maine Right to Life Committee in Auburn.

– *Special to the Press Herald*

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The Honorable Bruce Poliquin
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Dear Mr. Poliquin:

National Right to Life is pleased to endorse you for election to the U.S. House of Representatives, to represent the 2nd Congressional District of Maine.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of federal funds for abortion.

In 2010, Congress voted to enact President Obama's health care law, which provides government funding for health plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will result in the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. You are needed in Congress to help reverse the abortion-expanding and rationing effects of that law.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life throughout the nation and in the U.S. Congress. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically disabled or dependent persons, whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life and with the protection of the most vulnerable members of the human family should vote to send you to Congress, so that you can work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

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Political Director

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Gubernatorial and U.S. Congressional Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR				
	I	Eliot Cutler	Cape Elizabeth	Pro-Abortion
	R	Paul LePage	Augusta	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
	D	Michael Michaud	East Millinocket	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES SENATE				
	D	Shenna Bellows	Manchester	Pro-Abortion. Endorsed by Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
	R	Susan Collins	Bangor	Mixed voting record
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES CONGRESS				
1	R	Isaac Misiuk	Gorham	Pro-Life
1	I	Richard Murphy	Sanford	Pro-Life. *"I don't agree with the Roe v. Wade decision." (MPBN 1st Congressional District Debate)*
1	D	Chellie Pingree	North Haven	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC
2	D	Emily Cain	Orono	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
2	R	Bruce Poliquin	Oakland	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
2	I	Blaine Richardson	Belfast	Pro-Life

Questions for State Legislative Candidates

ABORTION

1. Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe that abortion should be legal?
   A. If a woman chooses abortion, for any reason, throughout pregnancy.
   B. If the abortion is performed in the first trimester of pregnancy.
   C. If the baby was conceived through rape or incest.
   D. If the baby has a handicap or defect.
   E. If a woman wants to insure the specific gender of the fetus.
   F. I am opposed to abortion, except to save the LIFE of the mother.
2. Would you support legislation requiring that a woman considering abortion be...
   A. Fully informed of the risks & alternatives prior to the procedure including a 24-hour waiting period and information on fetal development?
   B. Be offered (not required) to view a Fetal Monitor/live Ultrasound prior to an abortion?
3. Would you oppose legislation in which Title X taxpayer dollars are used to fund Planned Parenthood?
4. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification prior to dispensing contraceptives/birth control Rx's to minors through the school system?
5. Would you support a ban on the use of baby body parts (fetal tissue) taken from the victims of abortions for experimentation or scientific research?
6. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification for minor-aged children seeking an abortion?
7. Would you support legislation requiring abortion facilities to have the same level of medical oversight and regulations as is required for other Maine ambulatory surgical facilities? If NO, why not?
8. Would you support Wrongful Death legislation for a parent whose unborn, viable fetus was killed as the result of negligence by another?

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9. Would you vote to oppose legislation similar to Oregon/Washington/Vermont policy that would impose rationing that intentionally denies treatment on the basis of disability, degree of medical necessity, or quality of life of those denied treatment?
10. Do you oppose legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide?

D--Democrat
R--Republican
I--Independent
IL--Independent of Liberty
IM--Independent of Maine
GI--Green Independent
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NI--Non-Party Independent
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CANDIDATES FOR MAINE STATE SENATE

District	Party	Candidate Name	City/Town	Any Reason 1A	First Trimester 1B	Rape/Incest 1C	Handicapped 1D	Gender 1E	Never Legal Except to Save Mother's Life 1F	Fully Informed 2A	Ultrasound 2B	Title X Taxpayer $ 3	Minors/Birth Control 4	Ban Baby Parts 5	Parental Consent 6	Medical Oversight 7	Wrongful Death for viable fetus 8	Oppose Med Ration 9	Oppose PAS 10	Comments
MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
1	R	Peter Edgecomb	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*Undecided.* **Pro-life voting record.**
1	D	Charles Kenneth Theriault	Madawaska	N	N	N	N	N	Y*	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"I am opposed to abortion except to save the life of the mother."
2	D	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
2	R	Michael J. Willette	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
3	D	Craig J. Heavey	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	R	Rodney L. Whittemore	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	R	Paul T. Davis, Sr.	Sangerville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	D	David F. Ziemer	Orneville Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	D	James F. Dill	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	R	Wanda L. Lincoln	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
6	R	David C. Burns	Whiting	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I believe that #1F is an excuse for aborting a baby when other measures are available.*"
6	D	Anne C. Perry	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
7	D	Theodore S. Koffman	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
7	R	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
8	D	Paul P. Davis	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
8	R	Edward M. Youngblood	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
9	D	Geoffrey M. Gratwick	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
9	R	Cary M. Weston	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
10	R	Andre E. Cushing, III	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
10	D	Jaric T. Fontaine	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
11	D	Jonathan S. Fulford	Monroe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
11	R	Michael D. Thibodeau	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
12	D	David R. Miramant	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
12	R	Paula G. Sutton	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
13	R	Leslie T. Fossel	Alna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
13	D	Christopher K. Johnson	Somerville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
14	D	David W. Bustin	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
14	R	Earle L. McCormick	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
14	U	Gary A.Quintal	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
15	D	Anna D. Blodgett	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey
15	R	Roger J. Katz	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
16	R	Alek J. Fortier	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
16	D	Colleen M. Lachowicz	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
17	D	Joanne F.Dunlap	Rangeley Plantation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
17	R	Thomas B.Saviello	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	R	L. Gary Knight	Livermore Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	D	John L. Patrick	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	James M. Hamper	Oxford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
19	D	Rose K. Rogers-Wells	Brownfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
20	R	Eric L. Brakey	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
20	D	John J. Cleveland	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC

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21	R	Patricia J. Gagne	Lewiston	N	N	N	N	N	?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"From conception to natural death, I support life!"*
21	D	Nathan L. Libby	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	D	Guy P. Desjardins	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	R	Garrett P. Mason	Lisbon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
23	R	Linda L. Baker	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
23	G	Alice E. Knapp	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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24	D	Stanley J. Gerzofsky	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
24	G	K. Frederick Horch	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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25	R	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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27	D	Justin L. Alfond	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
27	R	Peter I. Doyle	Portland	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would always support legislation that protects a mother and her unborn child and helps her to always choose life!"*
27	G	Asher D. Platts	Portland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	N	—	N	*"That would reduce availability to hospitals and shut down abortion clinics." "I support abortion on demand, without appology." "END THE WAR ON WOMEN."*
28	D	Anne M. Haskell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
28	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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29	R	John F. Ridge	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	R	Amy F. Volk	Scarborough	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
31	R	Michael E. Coleman	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Linda M. Valentino	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
32	R	James W. Booth	Arundel	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a real Catholic."* Pro-life voting record
32	D	David E Dutremble	Biddeford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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5	D	Joshua R. Plante	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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8	D	Christopher W. Babbidge	Kennebunk	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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10	D	Amy J. Davidoff	Arundel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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22	R	Jonathan L. Kinney	Limington	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	—	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	**Pro-life voting record**
23	D	Michael A. Shaw	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
23	G	Michael Wakefield	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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28	R	Heather W. Sirocki	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
29	D	Paul Aranson	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	R	Pauline S. Wilcox	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Terry K. Morrison	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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33	D	Rosemarie De Angelis	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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39	G	Lauren Marie Besanko	Portland	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	?	N	N	N	*"Physician Assisted Suicide would be highly regulated and only with informed consent." "I' support abortion except when the fetus is old enough to live outside the womb…approx. 24 weeks."*
40	D	Herbert C. Adams	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
40	I	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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42	R	Marc M. Lamontagne	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
43	D	Mark N. Dion	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
43	R	Shannon Rafferty-Roy	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
44	D	Teresa S. Pierce	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
44	R	Gregory S. Payeur	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
45	D	Dale Denno	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
45	R	Michael J. Timmons	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
46	D	Anne P. Graham	North Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
46	R	Paul Chace	Durham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
47	D	Janice E. Cooper	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
47	R	Richard Vinton Snow	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
48	D	Sara Gideon	Freeport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
48	R	Paul Benjamin Schulz	Pownal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
49	D	Matthea E. L. Daughtry	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
49	R	Michael R. Stevens	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
50	D	Ralph L. Tucker	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
50	R	Mark Holbrook	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
51	D	Joyce McCreight	Harpswell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
51	R	Byron D. Watson	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
52	D	Jennifer L. DeChant	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
52	R	Ryan Matthew Daniels	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
53	D	Peter S. Kent	Woolwich	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
53	R	Jeffrey K. Pierce	Dresden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	D	Denise A. Tepler	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	G	Daniel Longley Stromgren	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	R	Kim J. Talbot	Topsham	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
55	D	Alice D. Elliott	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
55	R	Brian D. Hobart	Bowdoinham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
56	R	Dale J. Crafts	Lisbon	N	N	N	N	N	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would need more info before I could decide." **Pro-life voting record**
57	D	Katherine E. Ver Sluis	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
57	R	Stephen J. Wood	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
58	D	Michel A. Lajoie	Lewiston	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pro-abort voting record

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58	R	Luke D. Jensen	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	D	Margaret R. Rotundo	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	R	James W. Sorcek	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	D	Jared F. Golden	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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61	D	Heidi E. Brooks	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	R	Brian Wood	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	U	Mark A. Cayer	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	D	Gina M. Melaragno	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	R	Brandon Eli Dickey	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	U	John M. Michael	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
63	D	R. Wayne Werts	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
63	R	Bruce A. Bickford	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Mixed voting record
64	D	Bettyann Watson Sheats	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
64	R	David P. Sawicki	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I believe life begins at conception. We are called to protect life at all stages."*
65	D	Rosa Van Wie	New Gloucester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
65	R	Eleanor M. Espling	New Gloucester	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "In cases of rape, incest and life of the mother, I would hope a woman would choose to keep her baby but I hesitate to outlaw abortion in all those cases. Each situation is different."
66	D	Mary-Vienessa Fernandes	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	G	Lisa H. Willey	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	R	Michael D. McClellan	Raymond	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I support Maine Right to Life 100%*."
67	D	Bonnie Titcomb Lewis	Raymond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
67	R	Susan M. Austin	Gray	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"*Except in the case of rape and incest."*
68	D	Christine B. Powers	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
68	R	John M. Nostin	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
69	D	Lisa Renee Villa	Harrison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
69	R	Phyllis A. Ginzler	Bridgton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
70	D	Helen Rankin	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
70	R	Nathan J. Wadsworth	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	D	Dennise Dullea Whitley	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	R	Tom J. Winsor	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
72	D	James F. Bradley	Mechanic Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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72	R	Kathleen RJ Dillingham	Oxford																	Candidate responded in narrative manner. Contact Maine Right to Life for full answers.
73	D	Robert Kirchherr	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
73	R	Lloyd C. Herrick	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
74	D	Paul E. Gilbert	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
74	R	C. Harvey Calden	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	D	Charles F. Dingman	Leeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	R	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
75	U	Gerard R. Tardif	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	D	Richard H. C. Tracy	Rome	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	R	Gary L. Hilliard	Belgrade	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
77	D	Alan B. Tibbetts	Sidney	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
77	R	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
78	D	Catherine M. Nadeau	Winslow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
78	R	Susan Ellen Morissette	Winslow	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
79	D	Cristina L. Evers	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
79	R	Timothy S. Theriault	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
80	D	Lori A. Fowle	Vassalboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
80	R	Ray L. Bates	Windsor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
81	D	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
81	R	Lee T. Fellman	Readfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	D	Rachel L. Sukeforth	Litchfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	R	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I consider myself to be pro-life except in **extreme** cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the mother's life."
83	D	Gay M. Grant	Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
83	R	Curtis C. Ayotte	Farmingdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	D	Charlotte May Warren	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	R	Darrick X. Banda	Manchester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	D	Donna R. Doore	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	R	Kimberly Jeanne Davis	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	D	Monica L. Castellanos	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	R	Matthew G. Pouliot	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
87	D	Timothy I. Marks	Pittston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey

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87	R	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a Catholic."*
88	R	Deborah J. Sanderson	Chelsea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
89	R	Stephanie Hawke	Boothbay Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
89	U	Willliam H. Coombs	Edgecomb	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
90	D	Michael G. Devin	Newcastle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
90	R	Anna Morkeski	Damariscotta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
91	R	Ellen A. Winchenbach	Waldoboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
91	U	Jeffrey Evangelos	Friendship	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	D	Chuck Kruger	Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	R	Sonja Sleeper	South Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
93	D	Elizabeth E. Dickerson	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
93	R	James Michael Kalloch	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	D	Joan W. Welsh	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
94	R	Ronald J. Bovasso	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	U	Owen David Casas	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	G	Randall A. Parr	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	R	Wesley E. Richardson	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
95	U	Christian William Neils	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	U	Gary E. Sukeforth	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	D	Christine S. Burstein	Lincolnville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	R	Peter Weston	Montville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
97	D	Erin D. Herbig	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Absent/Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
97	G	Paige Katharine Brown	Northport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
97	R	Benjamin L. Bryant	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
98	R	James S. Gillway	Searsport	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
98	U	Joseph E. Brooks	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	D	Brian L. Jones	Freedom	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	R	MaryAnne Kinney	Knox	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am opposed to abortion period."*
100	D	Frederick H. Austin	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
100	R	Kenneth Wade Fredette	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
100	U	David L. Bright	Dixmont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
101	D	James E. Davitt	Hampden	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	Y	Y	N	**"This would appear to be unconstitutional." "This is a very one-sided poll. In many questions there is no simple yes or no.'*

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101	R	Brian M. Duprey	Hampden	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
102	R	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"Thanks for all you do!"*
103	D	Mary E. Sharkus	Hermon	—	—	Y	—	—	—	Y	—	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*"This is not a yes or no answer."
103	R	Roger E. Reed	Carmel	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
104	D	David B. Pearson	Dexter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
104	R	Raymond A. Wallace	Dexter	N	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
105	D	Daniel S. Swain	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
105	R	Joel R. Stetkis	Canaan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	?*	*"I don't know enough about this issue to make an informed decision."
106	D	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
106	R	Scott Walter Strom	Pittsfield	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I have been pro-life my whole life. This was the first issue that pushed me to be a Republican."*
107	D	Jeff M. McCabe	Skowhegan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
107	R	Timothy S. Amadon	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
108	D	Karen Kusiak	Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
108	R	John Joseph Picchiotti	Fairfield	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
109	D	Thomas R. W. Longstaff	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	D	Henry E. M. Beck	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	R	Mark Richard Andre	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
111	D	Ann E. Dorney	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
111	R	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	D	Jack W. Frost, Jr.	Anson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	R	Thomas H. Skolfield	Weld	—	Y	Y	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	Y	
113	D	Edward S. David	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
113	R	Andrew Russell Buckland	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	D	Guy A. Iverson	Chesterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	R	Russell J. Black	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
115	D	Matthew J. Peterson	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
115	R	Terrence L. Magee	Woodstock	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	*"This depends on who is paying. If a person who smokes, drinks, and uses drugs wants a new liver, I would have a hard time justifying the state pay for it."
116	D	Malcolm M. Gill	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
116	R	Richard A. Pickett	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
117	D	Callie Pecunies	Albany Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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117	R	Frances M. Head	Bethel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	D	Matthew J. Quinn	Cornville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	R	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
119	R	Paul A. Stearns	Guilford	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
120	D	Donald James Crossman	Milo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
120	R	Norman E. Higgins	Dover-Foxcroft	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
121	D	Robert S. Duchesne	Hudson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
121	R	Douglas A. Smith	Corinth	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
122	D	Michelle Ann Dunphy	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
122	R	John M. Nuttall	Old Town	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
123	D	Ryan D. Tipping-Spitz	Orono	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
123	R	Andrew James Bracy	Orono	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	"*Personally against abortion, but it is not my decision to make for other people.*"
124	D	Aaron M. Frey	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
124	R	Colby B. Civiello	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
125	D	Victoria P. Kornfield	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
125	R	Gary E. Capehart	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
126	D	John C. Schneck	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
126	R	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
127	D	Adam A. Goode	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
127	R	James V. Lacadie	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
128	D	Arthur C. Verow	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
128	R	Gail M. Sheehan	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	D	Teresa Montague	Clifton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	R	Peter A. Lyford	Eddington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	D	Emery A. Deabay	Bucksport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	R	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	D	Veronica Garvey Magnan	Stockton Springs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	R	Karleton S. Ward	Dedham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
132	D	Louis J. Luchini	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
132	R	R. Frederick Ehrlenbach	Trenton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
133	D	Ralph Chapman	Brooksville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
133	R	Susan M. Walsh	Blue Hill	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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134	R	Frank L. Stanley	Tremont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
135	D	Brian L. Hubbell	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
135	R	Maurice Joseph Marshall	Lamoine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	D	Elizabeth A. Allen	Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	R	Richard S. Malaby	Hancock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
137	D	Oscar F. Emerson	Bradley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
137	R	Lawrence E. Lockman	Amherst	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
138	D	Robert W. Alley, Sr.	Beals	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
138	R	Richard O. Paul	Addison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
139	D	Katherine W. Cassidy	Lubec	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
139	R	William R. Tuell	East Machias	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	D	Harold Roy Clark, Jr.	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	R	Joyce A. Maker	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
141	R	Beth P. Turner	Burlington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
142	R	Sheldon Mark Hanington	Lincoln	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
143	D	Stephen S. Stanley	Medway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
143	R	Debbi J. Perkins	Millinocket	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	D	George T. Schools	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	R	Roger L. Sherman	Hodgdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
145	D	Glenn M. Hines	Hammond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
145	R	Ricky D. Long	Sherman	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
146	D	Troy A. Haines	Mapleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
146	R	Dustin Michael White	Washburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
147	D	Robert J. Saucier	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record/Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
147	R	Larry K. Fox	Presque Isle	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am strongly pro-life and will rigorously support that position."*
148	D	Alan D. Whittemore	Limestone	*	*	*	*	*	*	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	**	N	*"I support the federal laws of the U.S." **"Need more information." "When right-to-lifers choose to care as much about the children already born and living in poverty as much as you do about abortion, we will have gained in society."*
148	R	Anthony J. Edgecomb	Fort Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
148	U	Gregory Alan Ward	Limestone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
149	R	Carol A. McElwee	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
150	D	Roland Daniel Martin	Sinclair Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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150	R	Craig M. Lawrence	Frenchville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
151	D	John L. Martin	Eagle Lake	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	?	Y	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"If in care of their parents." **Pro-life voting record**
151	R	Allen Michael Nadeau	Fort Kent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey

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8	Alfond	Justin	D	134 Sheridan St. Portland	04101	justin@justinalfond.com 207-828-0277	X	X	—	X	X	X
6	Boyle	James	D	25 Dundee Rd. Gorham	04038	senjames.boyle@legislature.maine.gov c:207-899-9606	X	X	—	X	X	X
29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd. Whiting	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
30	Cain	Emily	D	103 Forest Ave. Orono	04473	emily.cain@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St. Auburn	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd. Wells	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
16	Craven	Margaret	D	41 Russell St. Lewiston	04240	mmcraven@roadrunner.com 207-783-1897	X	X	—	X	X	X
33	Cushing	Andre	R	PO Box 211 Hampden	04444	andre@andrecushing.com 207-358-9447	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
4	Dutremble	David	D	536 Elm St. Biddeford	04005	ddutrem1@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr. Winthrop	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
10	Gerzofsky	Stanley	D	3 Federal St. Brunswick	04011	stan1340@aol.com 207-373-1328	X	X	—	X	X	X
32	Gratwick	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Ave. Bangor	04401	Sengeoff.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X

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13	Hamper	James	R	1023 King St. Oxford	04270	senatorhamp@gmail.com 207-539-4586	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
9	Haskell	Anne	D	31 Higgins St. Portland	04101	annehask@maine.rr.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
1	Hill	Dawn	D	PO Box 701 Cape Neddick	03902	SenDawn.Hill@Legislature.maine.gov 207-337-3689	X	X	—	X	X	X
35	Jackson	Troy	D	167 Allagash Rd. Allagash	04774	SenTroy.Jackson@legislature.maine.gov 207-436-0763	X	X	—	✓	✓	X
20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd. Somerville	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	X	X	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St. Augusta	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
25	Lachowicz	Colleen	D	One Kelsey St., #2 Waterville	04901	sencolleen.lachowicz@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St. Ellsworth	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	X	✓	—	X	X	X
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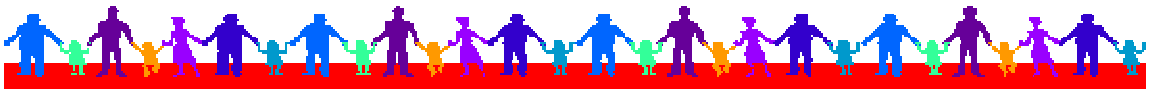

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Please Join Us!

2015 Hands Around the Capitol

Saturday, January 17, 2015

Augusta, ME

42nd Memorial Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

Mark your Calendars for January 17, 2015 to participate in Maine Right to Life Committee's Annual **HANDS AROUND THE CAPITOL** Rally and March. This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march.

Alert your family and friends - encourage them to save the date and **ATTEND**! Make reminder calls a few days before the event and offer to drive those people who need your assistance. Remind your network of family and friends that PARTICIPATION is key! This is the only VISIBLE opportunity we have in Maine to reinforce that Maine people are **PRO-LIFE!**

Schedule:

(You may join us for part or all of the events.)

10:00 AM	**Mass** at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 41 Western Avenue, Augusta, ME **OR** **Prayer Service** at **9:30 AM**, Hope Baptist Church, Rt. 202, Manchester, ME
11:00 AM	**Gather** at St. Michael's School Gym-- network with other pro-life people-- refreshments.
11:15 AM	**Rally** with Governor Paul LePage, Congressman Bruce Poliquin, Maine Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason, and Prominent Pro-Life Speakers
12:15 PM	**March** begins—we leave for the Capitol.
12:30 PM	**Assemble** around the Capitol Hand-to-Hand.

The Capitol Bell will ring 42 times, representing the number of years since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

**Please join us, along with Governor Paul LePage,
U.S. Congressman Bruce Poliquin,
Maine Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason,
& pro-life leaders across Maine
to provide Witness for the Unborn!**

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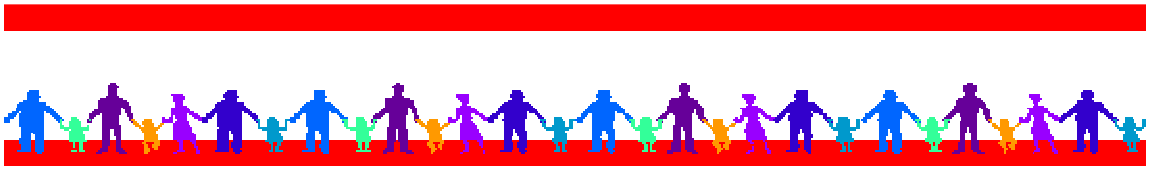

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GAO report confirms elective abortion coverage widespread in Obamacare exchange plans

WASHINGTON – A report by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), a nonpartisan investigatory arm of Congress, made public today, provides dismaying confirmation of earlier predictions by National Right to Life that federally subsidized abortion coverage would become a widespread feature of Obamacare. The report found that more than one thousand federally subsidized exchange plans currently cover elective abortion.

"It is no surprise that the Obama Administration is spending billions of taxpayer dollars subsidizing the purchase of health plans that cover abortion on demand," said National Right to Life Legislative Director Douglas Johnson. **"Those really responsible for this scandal are the lawmakers, such as Mary Landrieu of Louisiana, Kay Hagan of North Carolina, Mark Begich of Alaska, and Mark Udall of Colorado, who voted against the pro-life amendment that would have prevented this massive federal funding of abortion-covering plans, as well as those who voted to enact the bill after the amendment was rejected, such as Mark Pryor of Arkansas."**

The GAO report focused mainly on determining the prevalence of elective abortion coverage in health plans sold on the exchanges, in the 27 states plus D.C. that currently do not have laws in effect that restrict abortion coverage. The GAO found that on these 28 exchanges, 1,036 plans cover elective abortion while 1,062 do not. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that between 2015 and 2024, $726 *billion* will flow from the federal Treasury in direct subsidies for Obamacare health plans.

The Obamacare law was enacted in early 2010 despite objections from pro-life forces that it contained provisions that would result in massive federal subsidies to help scores of millions of Americans buy health plans that cover elective abortion. However, President Obama repeatedly insisted that "no federal dollars will be used to fund abortions."

The GAO findings validate previous charges by National Right to Life that the federal taxpayer is subsidizing the purchase of abortion-covering plans on a massive scale. As *Politico* reported today, "The vast majority of people who bought coverage on the exchanges did so with subsidies. According to government figures, 87 percent of the 5.4 million people who bought a plan on HealthCare.gov in the last enrollment period did so with at least some subsidy."

These massive subsidies for abortion-covering plans amount to a sharp break from decades of federal policy under the Hyde Amendment. The Hyde Amendment says that no federal funds "shall be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion," but the Hyde Amendment does not apply to the Obamacare law. Attempts to include Hyde-like language in the Obamacare law were initially successful in the House but were ultimately blocked by President Obama and his allies in Congress. (For detailed discussion of the history of the Hyde Amendment and the sharp break from Hyde policy contained in Obamacare, see NRL congressional testimony here: http://www.nrlc.org/uploads/ahc/ProtectLifeActDouglasJohnsonTestimony.pdf)

The author of so-called "compromise" language that paved the way for enactment of the law, then-Sen. Ben Nelson (D-Nebraska), said in 2009 that "you have to write two checks: one for the basic policy and one for the additional coverage for abortion. The latter has to be entirely from personal funds." [155 Cong. Rec. S14134 (Dec. 24, 2009)]. The Nelson "two check" system, previously given great credence by some journalistic "factcheckers," turns out to be not merely a flimsy gimmick, but a vanished mirage. Although the GAO confirmed that the law requires "issuers to collect from each enrollee in a QHP [Qualified Health Plan] covering non-excepted [elective] abortion services a separate payment for coverage of these services," the Obama Administration is not enforcing such a requirement. Not a single one of the 18 insurance companies that are selling abortion-covering plans, and that responded to the GAO, actually were collecting a separate payment from enrollees for elective abortion coverage.

Despite assurances that there would be plans available in each state that do not fund elective abortions, the GAO found that in five states – Connecticut, Hawaii, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Vermont – every insurance plan currently sold on the exchange covers elective abortion. In addition, abortion-covering plans dominated the exchanges in California (96% cover elective abortion, 86 plans out of 90), Massachusetts (98%, 109 plans of 111), New York (95%, 405 plans of 426), and Oregon (90%, 92 plans of 102).

The House of Representatives has passed the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7), which would apply the traditional Hyde Amendment policy to all federal programs, including the Obamacare premium-subsidy program, and thereby limit federally subsidized plans to coverage of abortion in cases of rape, incest, or threat to the life of the mother. However, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada) has prevented Senate action on identical legislation.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Total Abortions In Maine Decrease AGAIN!

State of Maine Abortion Statistics for 2011

For the 4th straight year total abortions in Maine declined at an amazing pace. From the recent peak total of **2,689** in 2007, abortions in 2011 amounted to **1,773**, a decline of **916** or 34.1% in the 4-year period.

It gets even more encouraging when one looks at the rapid decline among young people, those aged 12-24. Abortions in this group have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. In 2006 abortions in this young group amounted to **1,449**. By 2011 the number had dropped to **880**, a decline of **569** or 39.3%.

The Year-to-Year Numbers 2006-2011*

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
1773	2311	2413	2623	2689	**2672**
-23.30%	-4.20%	-8.00%	-2.45%	0.01%	

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR 12 - 24 YEAR OLDS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
880	1167	1257	1395	1430	**1449**
-24.60%	-7.20%	-9.90%	-2.50%	-1.30%	

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Maine Right to Life Committee Announces Historic Reduction in Abortions

(Auburn, ME) According to the recently released 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low.

The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year.

For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine, according to Maine Right to Life Committee Executive Director, Teresa McCann-Tumidajski.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period.

"This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: abortion is not the answer," states Tumidajski.

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010. *"We want people coming to our beautiful state to **raise** their families here, not reduce them," Tumidajski commented.*

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved.

Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

"There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment, "states Tumidajski.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

"The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious," Tumidajski added.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators. These images are used in Birth Announcements, and even *Show and Tell* for Kindergarteners who anxiously want to share a picture of their new little brother or sister with their classmates. At 8 weeks gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. More and more states are enacting legislation that reflects the changing will of the people that want to restrict abortion on demand.

For nearly 40 years, Maine Right to Life has worked to provide a voice for Maine's most vulnerable via education and advocacy, reaching hundreds of thousands of Maine people. Over the past 16 years, Maine Right to Life's advertising arm, Maine Vitae Society, has broadcast over 100,000 television commercials throughout Maine. Since 2005, Vitae helped educate over 130,000 young people with interactive visits to the pro-life website, Teenbreaks.com. Maine's 25 Pregnancy Support Centers have opened their hearts and doors to women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy and have offered their love and life-affirming services for free, without the aid of millions of taxpayer dollars. Prayer warriors and peaceful grassroots activists have worked together to form a fertile, life-affirming base which offers true compassion for life, and not the hollow promises of "choice." For decades, valiant post-abortive women have testified before legislative committees in Augusta, pleading for mandatory waiting periods and informed consent legislation such as is required with any other medical procedure. Pro-life organizations, legislators, and candidates have worked tirelessly to educate their fellow citizens and legislators that abortion is not the answer. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while 58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal.

"The taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it," Tumidajski adds.

"*Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education.*

But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with regard to STDs like gonorrhea. Maine CDC reports incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past 4 years," Tumidajski notes. There is now an alarming world-wide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Or consider the Bloomberg Report Sept. 3, 2013 reporting abortion clinics closing at a record pace since 2011. At least 58 U.S. abortion clinics (almost 1 in 10) have closed or stopped providing abortions. Over the past 3 years, an average of 19 abortion clinics have shut down, including Dr. Kermitt Gosnell's abortion clinic in

Pennsylvania. Here in Maine, the Alan Guttmacher Institute reports 13 abortion providers in 2008, which is a reduction from the 15 abortion providers the Institute reported in 2000. You may recall the closing of the Family Planning Clinic in South Portland in 2012 due to "lack of numbers" at that site.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers.

But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

"Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time," Tumidajski concludes.

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Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

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Maine Voices: Maine deserves leader who places right to life over politics … and profits

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By Teresa McCann-Tumidajski

AUBURN — China's sex-selective abortion policy of favoring male children is state-sponsored gendercide. Nations across the globe decry this brutal barbarism. Human compassion rebels against such evil as practiced in China. No innocent unborn child should be aborted because of her gender.

Why then, is a so-called women's group spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in Maine to elect candidates like Democrat Mike Michaud, with a voting record supporting abortion on demand for any reason, including gender selection? On May 31, 2012, Michaud voted to oppose a ban on sex-selection abortions.

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Many people are surprised to learn that on June 18, 2013, Michaud also voted in favor of abortions after 5 months.

His record is certainly outside the norm for most people who want restrictions placed on abortion. According to a May Gallup Poll, only 28 percent of Americans polled believe abortion should be legal under any circumstance. Gallup reports that a whopping 71 percent believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances.

More and more women are turning away from abortion. This downward trajectory reflects a profound shift in changing hearts and minds to choosing life. As abortions in Maine and across our nation decline at historic rates, the pro-abortion movement has doubled down.

Its disciples are threatened by any restrictions on abortion whatsoever. Even moderate candidates who support legislation safeguarding women's health are considered "extremists" who are trying "to deny women access to basic health care," as Planned Parenthood has said.

It's not surprising when you consider the radical philosophy of Margaret Sanger, founder of the organizations that became Planned Parenthood. In 1914, Sanger penned a newsletter titled "The Woman Rebel," which offered birth control information and had the slogan "No Gods. No Masters."

Today, the slogan of "choice" is being replaced with "women's health." Planned Parenthood is evolving once again and re-branding itself to reach a broader audience. And we taxpayers are helping.

Last year, taxpayers donated $540.6 million to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. That's almost $1.5 million in tax dollars every day. So much taxpayer money has been donated to Planned Parenthood that last year it was able to bank $58.2 million in profits. There was even enough left to provide the nonprofit's president with a tidy $523,616 salary.

In Maine, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England launched a so-called innovative social education project aimed at teens titled "A Naked Notion." Through YouTube videos, it educates young people about bondage and other X-rated activities that would make a grown man blush. Their 2013 annual report boasts that the video has received over 1 million views.

Cecile Richards, national president of Planned Parenthood, was scheduled to headline a "Women for Mike" Rally

endorsing Michaud and other like-minded “champions for women’s health” on Aug. 27. The event was postponed and has been rescheduled for Oct. 3.

In the meantime, the abortion giant has promised to unleash an unprecedented $500,000 through its Maine Action Fund PAC to elect extreme candidates like Michaud, fellow Democrat Emily Cain and similar ideologues – including those who support taxpayer funding of abortion, as Michaud did by his vote Jan. 28 against a proposal to bar taxpayer funding for abortion in Obamacare plans.

Wouldn’t it be wonderful if Planned Parenthood and its “champions for women’s health” would consider using some of its profits to “pay it forward” for real health services for women, such as installing mammography equipment at all of its facilities? (Planned Parenthood provides referrals but generally doesn’t provide mammograms.)

Or perhaps some of its profits could be used to provide professional, thorough pre- and post-abortion counseling for women and men who are devastated by a “choice” made in haste, with no 24-hour waiting periods in place. Millions of post-abortive women and men are among the walking wounded in the reproductive rights war.

Our women and children (born and unborn) deserve our best and most compassionate care. The so-called “rights” of abortion have wronged the soul of our nation. No amount of money or rhetoric can justify the taking of innocent human life.

Maine deserves leaders who place people over politics. And we certainly deserve leaders who place people – especially our most vulnerable – over profits.

— *Special to the Press Herald*

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THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE
COMMITTEE, INC.
512 10TH STREET NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20004
(202) 378-8842 WWW.NRLC.ORG

Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

Signature	Print Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number / E-mail Address	18 or Older Y	18 or Older N
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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

The Truth about Hobby Lobby's Contraceptive Insurance Coverage

Unlike the media coverage regarding Hobby Lobby so-called *"denying access to birth control, or denying basic reproductive health care services for women,"* the reality is that Hobby Lobby insurance plan includes free co-pay, to the following 16 categories of FDA-approved birth-control:

1. Male condoms
2. Female condoms
3. Diaphragms with spermicide
4. Sponges with spermicide
5. Cervical caps with spermicide
6. Spermicide alone
7. Birth-control pills with estrogen and progestin ("Combined Pill")
8. Birth-control pills with progestin alone ("The Mini Pill")
9. Birth control pills (extended/continuous use)
10. Contraceptive patches
11. Contraceptive rings
12. Progestin injections
13. Implantable rods
14. Vasectomies
15. Female sterilization surgeries
16. Female sterilization implants

What Hobby Lobby will *not* cover are four contraceptive methods that its owners believe are abortifacients:

a. Plan B ("The Morning After Pill")
b. Ella (a similar type of "emergency contraception")
c. Copper Intra-Uterine Device
d. IUD with progestin

Rather than simply prevent sperm and ova from uniting, Hobby Lobby's owners believe that these medications either kill human beings when they are fertilized eggs or prevent them from implanting themselves in utero, whereupon they die. In other words, Hobby Lobby objects to paying for abortifacients. Its employees are allowed to purchase these abortifacients themselves if they so desire, and they will not be fired/terminated/or discriminated against if they do so. What ever happened to "choice" or "tolerance" or "respect" for religious beliefs? And what ever happened to reality in reporting the news facts? The so-called *War on Women* is more aptly *The War on Reality.* Spread the word. Don't be intimidated by a false narrative that's being perpetuated by the main stream media.

Unprecedented Reduction in Abortion Statewide

Induced Abortions by County of Residence
2000-2011* Maine Data

County of Residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*
Androscoggin	177	162	158	190	176	185	224	229	201	195	180	131
Aroostook	60	70	30	41	44	41	44	54	55	44	58	43
Cumberland	761	776	778	787	812	845	814	852	793	712	680	433
Franklin	63	50	59	53	54	63	62	51	50	41	49	36
Hancock	94	67	48	77	90	91	95	104	103	85	93	68
Kennebec	229	206	200	232	243	224	256	251	233	203	193	161
Knox	86	72	74	92	87	89	75	60	71	69	83	55
Lincoln	49	52	47	68	54	62	56	54	64	50	55	30
Oxford	84	98	85	103	82	97	101	79	102	71	81	65
Penobscot	269	246	187	242	213	203	248	272	250	289	223	216
Piscataquis	16	23	12	22	20	15	20	18	22	17	17	9
Sagadahoc	63	73	78	78	75	70	72	61	71	61	48	38
Somerset	88	93	87	86	76	76	70	88	68	70	64	72
Waldo	55	65	45	68	75	63	64	58	72	77	70	49
Washington	38	35	31	22	28	33	47	31	36	36	31	27
York	313	353	312	312	355	357	336	349	350	315	304	209
Unknown	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2
Out of State	85	74	83	77	109	139	85	75	63	78	82	129
Total	2,536	2,515	2,315	2,550	2,593	2,653	2,669	2686	2,604	2,413	2,311	1,773

Notes:
* 2011 Preliminary Data

Source of Data:
Maine Vital Records Data files

Prepared by:
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Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention
Department of Health and Human Services

2010 – 2011 Abortion % +/-	
Androscoggin	- 27%
Aroostook	- 26%
Cumberland	- 36%
Franklin	- 26.5%
Hancock	- 27%
Kennebec	- 16.5%
Knox	- 34%
Lincoln	- 45%
Oxford	- 20%
Penobscot	- 3%
Piscataquis	- 47%
Sagadahoc	- 20.8%
Somerset	+ 12.5%
Waldo	- 30%
Washington	- 13%
York	- 31%
Out of State	+ 57%

Note:

- Between 2010-2011, residents in 15 out of 16 counties reduced the number of abortions.
- Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (- 31%), which are Maine's most populated counties.
- Out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010.

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Maine Right to Life Committee

Winter 2014

Maine Abortions are at a Record Low!

The People of Maine are Speaking Loud and Clear:

Abortion is Not the Answer.

According to the 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low. The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year. For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace**. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine**.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period. *This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: Abortion is not the answer.*

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, **which is a 57% increase from 2010.**

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved. Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been Instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators.

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion.

The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while **58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal**. We know that the taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers. But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time, thanks be to God.

"We shall overcome."
—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Renew your 2014 MRLC membership today!

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Hands Around the Capitol——Hundreds Rally for Life—— Governor LePage Receives Standing Ovation from Pro-Life Maine!

Governor Paul LePage

Hundreds of dedicated pro-lifers from across Maine filled St. Michael's Gym in Augusta on January 18 for Maine Right to Life's annual *Hands Around the Capitol* Rally and March commemorating the 41st memorial of the passage of Roe v. Wade. A Prayer Service and Mass were celebrated prior to the Rally. As pro-lifers entered St. Michael's Gym, many were surprised to see Maine's Governor, Paul LePage, among us in the crowd! Governor LePage listened to the speakers attentively from his seat in the audience, and received a standing ovation from pro-life Maine as he approached the stage to address the packed gymnasium. Governor LePage is Maine's first declared pro-life Governor since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

Rally speakers included Rev. Joseph Daniels, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish of Greater Waterville, (representing the Diocese of Portland) and Representative Mike McClellan, District 103, Raymond, who encouraged the audience to become more involved and connected to their local legislators. Carl Maddaleni provided participants with a preview of Maine Vitae Society's upcoming television commercials and MRLC lobbyist, Susan Leighton, provided an overview and summary of proposed pro-life legislation. Pastor Bob Emrich pronounced the Invocation and encouraged those attending the rally to be active with upcoming pro-life legislation, and to not have the day's events be their only pro-life endeavor for the year. Teresa McCann-Tumidajski provided an overview of the program and an update about the historic trends in Maine's abortion reduction.

Rep. Mike McClellan, District 103, Raymond

The Governor rocked the Rally when he reiterated his pro-life beliefs, stating that he is most aptly "Pro-Child." He stressed the importance of families in our state, highlighting that Maine has the 'oldest' population in the nation and efforts to reduce abortion are critical to Maine's ability to sustain our population. He asked everyone in the audience under 41 years old to stand. He said each one of them should thank their parents because they're here today, and not one of the victims of Roe v Wade.

Several hundred Mainers marched in solemn solidarity from St. Michael's gym to the State House. We formed a human chain around the Capitol. As the bell rang 41 times we bowed our heads out of respect of the lives lost since 1973. With each tone of the bell, Rep. Stacey Guerin, (R) Glenburn, placed a rose at the base of the Bell in loving memory of those 56 million innocent babies aborted in our nation over the past 41 years. *Rest in Peace, Precious Little Ones!*

Rep. Stacey Guerin, District 22, Glenburn and Rev. Joseph Daniels, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish of Greater Waterville

Carl J. Maddaleni with wife Denyse Maddaleni and grandson Karl Chamberlain

Carl J. Maddaleni Receives 2013 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

Carl J. Maddaleni of Cape Elizabeth has been awarded the 2013 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention held October 19 in Portland. The announcement was greeted with a standing ovation by the convention attendees. Several members of the Maddaleni family were present for the Award Ceremony including wife of 56 years, Denyse Maddaleni; daughter Alicia Danielson, son-in-law Robert Danielson; daughter Erika Chamberlain, son-in-law John Chamberlain, grandson Karl Chamberlain; sister Susanne Flick and brother-in-law Bob Flick; and niece Sheila Murphy of Massachusetts.

The prestigious statewide Life Award is presented to a Maine citizen aged 12-100 years old who has consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/ handicapped.

Carl Maddaleni is the Director of the Maine Vitae Society, which is the advertising arm of Maine Right to Life Committee. Under Carl Maddaleni's leadership, Maine Vitae Society has aired approximately 90,000 educational television commercials since 1999. In 2005, Maine Vitae Society began advertising on Google 24/7 with the pro-life website www.Teenbreaks.com, with amazing results.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio are at a record low according to the most recent report from Maine Center for Disease Control. *"Carl Maddaleni has been instrumental in this watershed moment. His humble heart is superseded only by the charity within it,"* stated Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life Committee. "*There is no finer recipient of this prestigious Award,*" Tumidajski added.

Members of the DeGrinney family were also present for the 2013 Award Ceremony including son John DeGrinney and his wife Gigi, along with granddaughters Meghan, Maureen, and Grace; daughter Carolyn Mitchell and son-in-law Dan Mitchell; and daughter-in-law Susie DeGrinney.

Former winners of the prestigious statewide Patricia DeGrinney Life Award are:

2012: Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll of New Harbor, ME
2011: Judy Cushing, Executive Director, ABBA, A Women's Resource Ctr., Portland, ME
2010: Margaret Yates, RN, of East Wilton, ME
2009: Patricia Truman of Hallowell, ME

What's Your Pro-Life IQ?

1. How many abortions have been committed in our nation since the passage of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton?
2. Which Maine Senator sponsored LD 1428, *An Act to Protect Religious Freedom?*
3. How much money did taxpayers provide Planned Parenthood in 2012?
4. Who is the founder of Live Action?
5. True or False: According to research conducted by the Elliot Institute, 64% of women felt coerced into aborting their child.
6. What is the name of the March on the West Coast which is the companion to the March for Life in Washington, D.C.?
7. How did your local Maine legislator(s) vote last session on the pro-life bills introduced?
8. Which is the name of the largest pro-life organization in the nation?
9. True or False: The May 2013 Gallup Poll indicates that 35% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances.

Answers on Page 4…
No cheating!

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A wonderful program to increase your pro-life knowledge---meet new friends—make a difference in your community!

Pro-Life University

Sponsored by Maine Right to Life Committee

Classroom Dates:

Saturday, August 2 AND Saturday, August 16, 2014
9AM-5PM both days

MRLC office located at 4 Washington St. in Auburn, Maine 04210

Join us for a curriculum of----

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There is no fee for attendance.
Seating is limited. Register Today!

FMI contact Teresa McCann-Tumidajski at (207) 782-0101 or Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com

March 5-April 13, 2014
In front of Family Planning of Maine
43 Gabriel Drive Augusta, ME 04330
Help End Abortion in Maine!

Please participate in Maine's 40 Days for Life Campaign this Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, March 5. This is a powerful prayer-based program committed to preserving innocent human life. Nationally, since the program's inception in 2007, 8,245 lives have been saved from abortion.
There are 3 components to the 40 Days for Life program:
1. Prayer and Fasting 2. Peaceful Vigil 3. Community Outreach.

All participants of the 40 Days for Life Campaign are required to sign a Statement of Peace. We strongly urge every person who believes in the dignity of life to join in the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Remember, prayer is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement! Contact Judy Iconogle at ricejuice@gwi.net to register for this campaign or go to www.40DaysforLifeAugustaMaine for more information. **Join us as we:**

Help women who are at risk of having an abortion.

Help innocent children at risk of perishing.

Pray for men and women who carry the pain and regret of abortion.

Pray for the pro-life conversion of workers at abortion centers.

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The initial order cost is $25.00. Annual renewal fees are the same as for any specialized license plate, $15.00. From the renewal fees the State will return $10.00 to Choose Life Maine. In turn Choose Life Maine will allocate the money we receive to Maine's not-for-profit life affirming Pregnancy Support Centers. If all we sell is 2,000 license plates, the State will annually return $20,000 to us to allocate to the pregnancy centers. The more license plates sold, the more financial assistance we can provide. Please place an order today by completing the order form available at www.MaineChooseLife.com or www.MaineRightToLife.com Spread the word! Any questions please call David Alexander at (207) 622-0953 or Roland Bergeron at (207) 782-8308.

Act Now and Bring this Specialty Plate to Maine! We cannot do this without YOUR participation!

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Important DATE!

2014

Respect Life Day, Hall of Flags, Augusta— February 26th

40 Days for Life—March 5th to April 13th, Augusta

Mother's Day Carnation Project—
Flower Deliveries May 8th
Mother's Day May 11th

Celebrate *Life!* Walks statewide—July 12th

Pro-Life University—August 2nd and 16th

MRLC Annual Convention—October 18th

Pray for the pro-life conversion of President Obama.

Did you Know?

Belgian Senate has Passed a Bill Allowing Euthanasia for Children

Rx

On December 12, 2013, (the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe) by a vote of 50 to 17, the Belgian Parliament's upper house passed a bill that will expand the country's liberal euthanasia laws by allowing doctors to end the lives of terminally ill children. Their chamber of Representatives is expected to pass it before May 2014.

Belgium's current euthanasia law (enacted in 2002) requires patients must be 18 or older to qualify for a doctor-induced death. If passed, Belgium would be the first country to have no age limit whatsoever. And there's more---While the proposed law states that parents of even grade-school children must agree to the child's request for death, there is nothing to prevent parents from suggesting this "option" to their child. Although a child cannot buy a house or alcohol in Belgium, this law would allow a child to ask to be killed. Please pray to end the culture of death in our nation and throughout the world. Register for Pro-Life University to become a better advocate for life within your community!

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Maine Right to Life is sponsoring "Respect Life Day" at the Capitol on February 26, 2014 from 9AM-1PM at the Hall of Flags, Augusta. Please join us and other respect life organizations from across Maine! FMI, contact Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com

ANSWERS: "What's your Pro-Life IQ?"

1. Over 56,000,000 (56 MILLION) innocent unborn babies have been sacrificed on the altar of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton. That's 8 times more lives than the Holocaust of World War II.
2. Senator David C. BURNS (R) of Whiting, is the sponsor of LD 1428, an *Act to Protect Religious Freedom.* Contact your Maine legislators to ask for their support of this important bill. Let them know you are following their voting record on the life issues.
3. Planned Parenthood reported receiving a record $542 MILLION in taxpayer support in fiscal 2012. Approximately 45% of their budget comes from **our** tax dollars. Planned Parenthood continues to be the largest abortion provider in our nation, committing a record number of 334,000 abortions in fiscal 2012, or 30% of our nation's 1.1 million abortions. (And no, they don't perform mammograms.)
4. Lila Rose founded Live Action in California when she was only 15 years old. Live Action is a powerful pro-life advocacy organization utilizing investigative reporting to expose the corruption and deceit of the abortion industry.
5. True. A majority of women responded that they felt pressured by others to abort their unborn child. 67% responded that they received no counseling, and 84% stated that they did not feel that they were adequately informed. FMI, go to www.TheUnChoice.com
6. The WALK FOR LIFE West Coast is now conducted in San Francisco each year, as the companion to the March for Life in D.C. held to commemorate the fateful passage of Roe v. Wade.
7. Go to www.MaineRightToLife.com home page. Scroll down to "*Pro-Life Roll Call*" to see how your local Maine Senator and Representative voted on the life bills brought forward last session. Again, let them know how you feel about their votes! U.S. Congressional Voting Records are also available on MRLC website. Be informed and pro-active for life!
8. National Right to Life is the largest and longest running national pro-life organization in our country, founded in 1968 with 50 state right- to- life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters. FMI, go to www.NationalRightToLife.org.
9 False. Only 26% want abortion on demand for any reason. A whopping 58% stated they want all or most abortions prohibited. The paradigm has shifted in favor of life, once again!

Your Score:
7-9 Correct Answers: Pro-Life Patron
3-6 Correct: Pro-Life Friend
1-2 Correct: Visit our pro-life resource library.

Perseverance and Prayer…
Congratulations, Pro- Life Maine!
We are changing hearts, minds and behaviors in favor of life…
one precious child at a time.

For more information visit www.MaineRightToLife.com

"When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hang on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn."
--Harriet Beecher Stowe

THE PRESIDENTIAL RECORD ON LIFE

President Barack Obama 2009-present

On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Maine is Choosing Life!

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Abortions-Maine residents	2611	2541	2330	2226	1644
Pregnancies-Maine residents	16787	16208	15843	15236	14404
ME Population, Female age 15-44	253292	250005	245825	241923	239185
U.S. Abortion Ratio	*22.9*	*23.2*	*22.7*		
ME Abortion Ratio/pregnancies, %	15.6	15.7	14.7	14.6	11.4
U.S. Abortion Rate	*15.8*	*15.9*	*15.1*		
ME Abortion Rate /1000 pop	10.3	10.2	9.5	9.2	6.9

- Between 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6% while those choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.
- From 2007- 2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%.
- The overall rate of women age 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3 in 2007 to 6.9 in 2011.

Abortion Rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.
Abortion Ratio is the number of abortions per live births.

The total number of pregnancies is the number of live births, the number of fetal demise, and the number of induced abortion for Maine residents. Abortions that are performed in Maine to non-residents are not included in the calculation.
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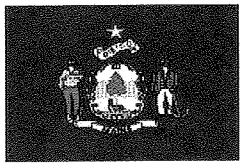

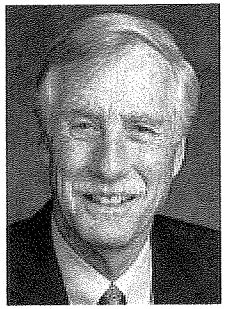

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Kermit Gosnell

Pulling Back the Curtain on the Reality of Abortion

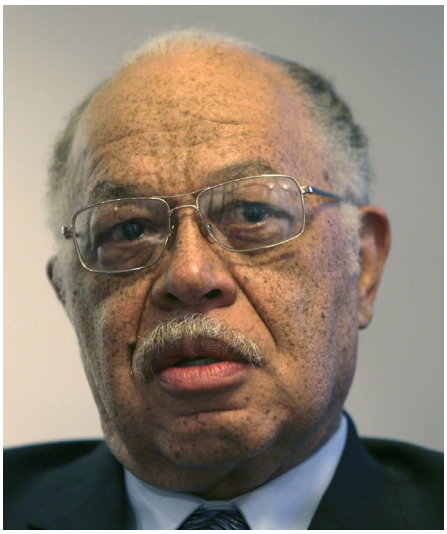
The Facts

In April 2013, abortionist Kermit Gosnell was convicted on three counts of murder in the deaths of 3 newborn babies.

Gosnell routinely delivered live babies and then ended their lives by severing their spinal cords with scissors. The Grand Jury Report estimates hundreds of babies met similar fates at Gosnell's Philadelphia abortion center.

Gosnell preyed on vulnerable women with his abortion business and subjected them to dangerous and unsanitary conditions. One woman named Karnamaya Mongar died at Gosnell's center after an overdose of Demerol. After Mongar's death, a former employee said Gosnell reassured her that she'd done nothing wrong.

According to the Grand Jury Report, for political reasons, the PA Department of Health ceased inspections of abortion centers allowing the atrocities to continue for years.



"This case is about a doctor who killed babies and endangered women...Over the years, many people came to know that something was going on here. But no one put a stop to it."
- Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

"Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn't call it that. He called it "ensuring fetal demise." The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby's neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that "snipping." - Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

Media Blackout

Initially, the media refused to cover the Gosnell case. Pro-life advocates and bloggers stormed social media to compel the media to cover the trial. The effort led to national coverage and resulted in a Fox News documentary entitled "See No Evil."

"I asked one of the court staff why so few are interested.
'If you're pro-choice, do you really want anybody to know about this,' he said, motioning to the filthy medical equipment set up in the courtroom."
– JD Mullane, reporter for the Bucks County Courier Times *

"Infant beheadings. Severed baby feet in jars. A child screaming after it was delivered alive during an abortion procedure…Let me state the obvious. This should be front page news…
We've forgotten what belongs on Page One." - columnist Kirsten Powers*

Implications

The Gosnell case provides further evidence that a great deal of the late abortion iceberg is below the water.

Kermit Gosnell was convicted of murder for severing the necks of just-born babies, but those babies would have died just as painfully if he had killed them inside the womb, as most late-term abortionists do. The result is the same for the baby whether it meets its end in a shabby clinic like Gosnell's or a brand new Planned Parenthood facility -- a painful death.

"(Details of the Gosnell trial) have shocked the nation's conscience regarding the culture of abortion. This trial and this verdict will generate serious discussion about abortion policy in the United States and elsewhere." - blogger Mollie Ziegler Hemingway*

"Gosnell pulls the curtain back from the inherent violence of abortion. You can't sit in that courtroom and learn about what abortion does to the unborn child and to the woman in many cases … you can't sit there day after day and week after week and listen to that testimony and not be changed, and not have a change of heart, or at least reconsider your position." – reporter JD Mullane*

Protecting Life

National Right to Life strongly supports the passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

UNBORN BABIES FEEL PAIN!

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act would provide nationwide protection for unborn children who are capable of feeling pain, beginning at 20 weeks fetal age (equivalent to "22 weeks of pregnancy"), the beginning of the sixth month.

"This legislation reflects the views of the overwhelming majority of both men and women," said NRLC President Carol Tobias. "The Obama White House, and all but a handful of House Democrats, fought for essentially unlimited abortion in the sixth month or later, despite growing public awareness of the violence perpetrated by late-term abortionists such as Kermit Gosnell and the pain they inflict on unborn babies."

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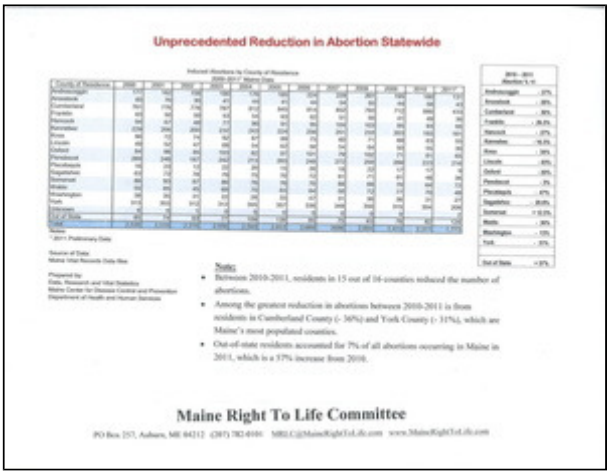
Maine Voices: Abortion numbers show tide is turning, minds are changing

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear that abortion is not the answer.

By TERESA McCANN-TUMIDAJSKI

AUBURN — There is a paradigm shift in the women's movement.



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The majesty of motherhood has co-opted "choice" for more and more Maine women.

The 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control indicates that abortions in Maine plunged to a historic record low of 1,773.

That's an amazing 23.3 percent reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 precious children saved in just one year.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined for the fourth straight year by 916, or 34 percent during the four-year period.

This is clearly a trend for life that cannot be denied or minimized.

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear. Abortion is not the answer, even if the law enshrines it.

In 2011, abortions dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine.

In fact, 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced numbers of abortions.

Maine's most populated counties, Cumberland and York, saw decreases in abortion by 36 percent and 31 percent respectively.

This is truly a watershed moment.

You may recall former President Clinton stating, "Abortion should be safe, legal and rare." Why, then, is there a virtual blackout by Maine's mainstream media of this glorious news?

There is no single, silver bullet to attribute this unprecedented decline in abortions. Decades of perseverance, education and grass-roots advocacy by thousands of dedicated and compassionate pro-life Mainers have been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment. Pro-life organizations, pregnancy resource centers, prayer groups, valiant post-abortive women and technology are now aligned.

The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: Life begins at conception. Each human life has inherent value and dignity.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads and on their refrigerators. At 8 weeks' gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. It is clear to see that she just wants a chance at life, and a chance to live.

Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education. But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with sexually transmitted diseases like gonorrhea.

The Maine CDC reports that incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past four years. There is now an alarming worldwide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers. But the Maine CDC Abortion Report indicates from 2007 to 2011, Maine's female population ages 15 to 44 decreased by 5.6 percent, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37 percent. From 2007 to 2011, the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6 percent to 11.4 percent. Additionally, the abortion rate dropped from 10.3 percent in 2007 to only 6.9 percent in 2011.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate and ratio have plummeted. The tide is turning. We are changing hearts, minds, attitudes and behaviors in favor of life, one precious child at a time. True compassion and caring for women and their unborn children in need will ultimately trump the

hollow, barren ring of “choice.”

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called “war on women” intended to “judge” or “shame” women, even though poll after poll, year after year, indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26 percent favor legalized abortion under any circumstances. Does that mean 74 percent of Americans want to shame women? I don’t think so.

Yes, there is a paradigm shift. The so-called “war on women” has really become a war within the womb.

And the precious pearl deep within the womb is of inestimable value. Indeed, it is nature’s most vulnerable and prized resource: the unborn human child.

And it looks like that tiny, innocent baby is finally starting to win.

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Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Suction Curettage	1393	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172	2196
Sharp Curettage	1	3	7	4	2	0	4	4
Dilation & Evacuation	17	2	3	3	0	6	4	3
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	357	465	437	460	364	276	469	375
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Unknown	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	15
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

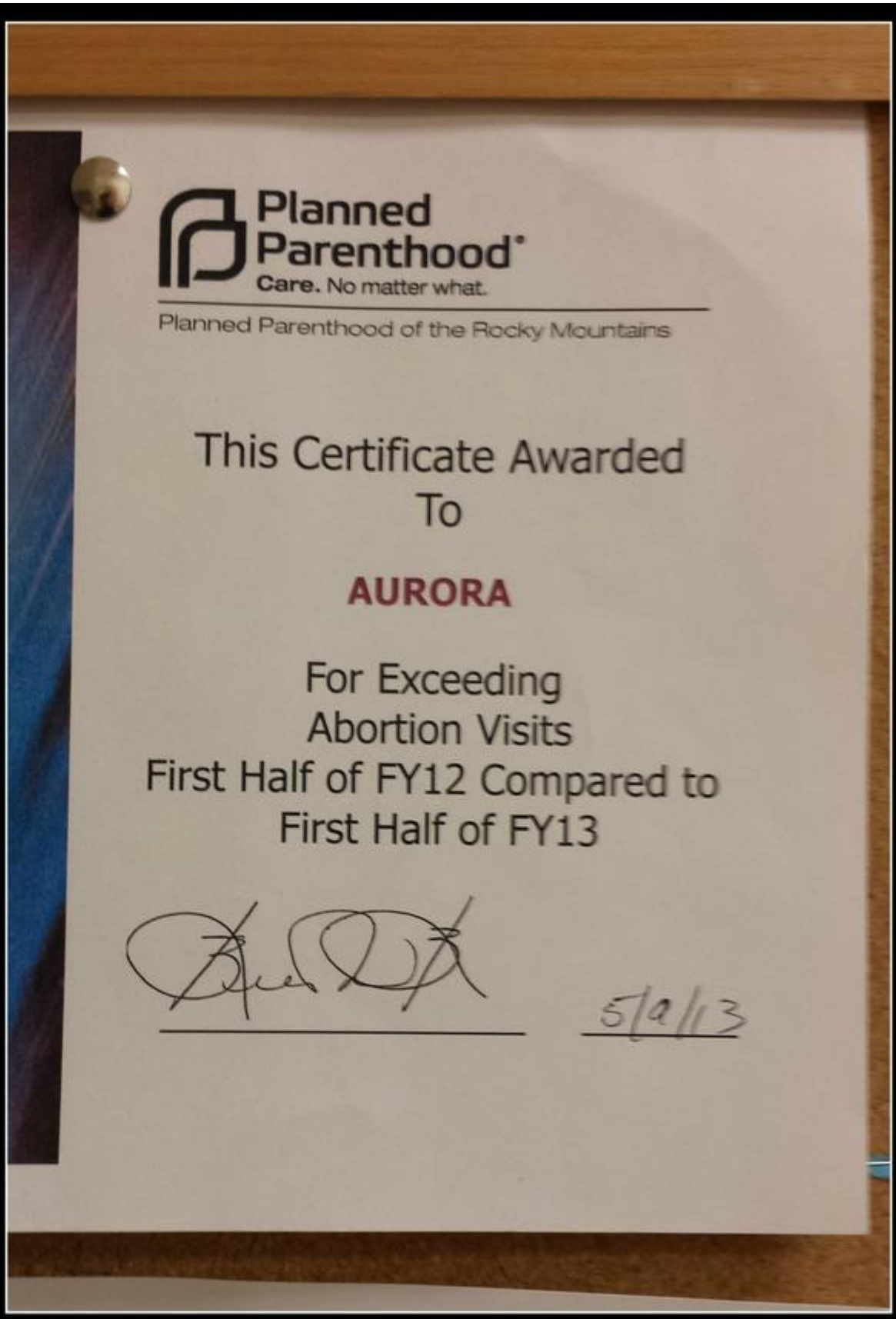
By Gestation	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
< 9 Weeks	1224	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807	1699
9 Weeks	177	238	259	279	314	306	288	361
10 Weeks	105	147	166	173	189	184	204	208
11 Weeks	93	89	135	131	145	141	137	135
12 Weeks	87	97	105	123	134	139	107	96
13 Weeks	53	82	96	79	86	81	74	49
14 Weeks	16	5	16	17	10	13	5	6
15 Weeks	5	1	4	8	1	4	3	0
16 Weeks	0	1	2	1	4	1	1	2
17 Weeks	2	3	1	2	1	2	0	3
18 Weeks	4	0	1	1	2	3	9	4
19 Weeks	0	5	6	3	3	7	9	6
20+ Weeks	6	12	3	11	10	12	8	13
Unknown	1	1	5	0	1	0	1	11
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**	**2593**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
< 10 Years Old	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	7	11	7	7	10	11	12	8
15 Years Old	9	24	18	23	26	26	26	29
16 Years Old	21	29	50	41	57	60	47	48
17 Years Old	48	46	64	97	96	92	115	112
18 Years Old	81	110	127	130	135	140	141	144
19 Years Old	95	166	138	176	169	154	181	173
20-24 Years Old	616	781	853	921	937	966	863	867
25-29 Years Old	415	552	603	597	608	561	569	564
30-34 Years Old	260	324	280	323	335	330	329	318
35-39 Years Old	155	186	193	238	212	209	201	229
40-44 Years Old	50	77	75	64	81	74	85	74
Greater than 44	2	4	5	3	3	3	6	8
Unknown	11	1	0	3	20	46	78	19
Total	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total # of Abortions	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**	**2593**
With 1 prior birth	391	541	557	641	588	560	639	620
With 2 prior births	297	360	395	429	451	453	400	416
With 3+ prior births	151	204	192	206	211	195	214	213
Unknown prior births	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior births	**846**	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**	**1250**
With 1 prior abortion	427	517	589	656	705	627	621	694
With 2 prior abortions	148	200	230	231	236	207	186	258
With 3 + prior abortions	69	106	117	108	109	80	82	101
Unknown prior abortions	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior abortions	**651**	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**	**1054**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	220	273	277	311	318	309	289	277
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	56	54	64	59	60	59	73	66
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	27	27	33	41	29	26	28	17
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**309**	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**	**361**



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Whatsoever you do for the least of My brethren, you do for Me.
Matthew 25:40

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What greater gift was bestowed upon all mankind than the gift of life and love through the birth of Our Savior?

As we approach this most mysterious and beautiful season of Christmas, I come to you as a beggar, to humbly ask that you make a Christmas Donation for Life…to protect our precious pre-born.

Please take a moment to reflect upon the glorious bounty of Our Lord's blessings, and make a donation of love, for the glorious gift of life. Your generosity will be known to Our Lord. **Your loving Christmas gift this blessed season may save the life of a precious little one. Who is more needy and vulnerable than an innocent, pre-born baby?** We need your generosity and assistance more than ever as we combat the devaluation of vulnerable life in our society. All of our funds are privately donated by the loving and generous hearts of our friends and colleagues. We don't receive millions of tax dollars each year like Planned Parenthood. We rely on you, our dedicated pro-life friends, to help us in our unwavering mission of protecting His Holy Innocents.

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For life,

Teresa

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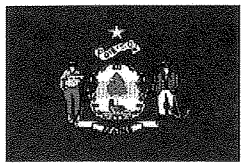

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Cotta	H.	R	55 53rd Fire Road China	04358	(207) 445-4067 cotta@fairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crafts	Dale	R	2 Passing Lane Lisbon Falls	04252	(207) 353-5469 dalecrafts@reagan.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cray	Dean	R	P. O. Box 3 Palmyra	04965	(207) 938-2006 dacray@msn.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crockett	Jarrod	R	P. O. Box 701 Bethel	04217	(207) 875-5075 jarrodscrockett@gmail.com	A	✓	✓	A	A	A
Daughtry	Matthea	D	11B Everett Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 522-0913 mattie@mattiedaughtry.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Davis	Paul	R	36 Townhouse Road Sangerville	04479	(207) 876-4047 RepDavis@midmaine.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DeChant	Jennifer	D	1008 Middle Street Bath	04530	(207) 442-8486 dechantforbath@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Devin	Michael	D	1 Hillcrest Road Newcastle	04553	(207) 563-3132 mick@mickdevin.org	A	X	X	X	X	X
Dickerson	Elizabeth	D	260 West Meadow Road Rockland	04841	(207) 596-0028 RepElizabeth.Dickerson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Dill	James	D	72 Sunset Drive Old Town	04468	(207) 827-3498 jdill@umext.maine.edu	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dion	Mark	D	45 Allison Avenue Portland	04103	(207) 797-6341 mndion@msn.com	A	X	✓	X	X	X

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Dunphy	Larry	R	P. O. Box 331 North Anson	04958	(207) 635-2831 skime2@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Duprey	Brian	R	P. O. Box 214 Hampden	04444	(207) 862-6076 repduprey@me.com	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓
Espling	Eleanor	R	12 Lewiston Road New Gloucester	04260	(207) 926-6082 espling2@securespeed.us	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Evangelos	Jeffrey	U	465 Waldoboro Road Friendship	04547	(207) 832-7378 caa04@roadrunner.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eves	Mark	D	29 Acorn Lane North Berwick	03906	Speaker's Office Tel (207) 287-1300 RepMark.Eves@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Farnsworth	Richard	D	55 Old Mast Road Portland	04102	(207) 874-6399 omc@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Fitzpatrick	Joyce	R	100 Pleasant Street Houlton	04730	(207) 532-9035 RepJoyce.Fitzpatrick@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fowle	Lori	D	305 Taber Hill Road Vassalboro	04989	(207) 872-7268 lorifowlehouse58@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Fredette	Kenneth	R	P. O. Box 70 Newport	04953	(207) 287-1440 RepKenneth.Fredette@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Frey	Aaron	D	P.O. Box 74 Bangor	04402	(207) 249-9969 RepAaron.Frey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gattine	Drew	D	529 Stroudwater Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 409-3477 dgattine@aol.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gideon	Sara	D	37 South Freeport Road Freeport	04032	(207) 865-9593 RepSara.Gideon@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gifford	Jeffery	R	346 Frost Street Lincoln Center	04457	(207) 290-5088 jeffery.gifford@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gilbert	Paul	D	P. O. Box 186 Jay	04239	(207) 897-5143 pegilbert@hotmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Gillway	James	R	79 Bowen Road Searsport	04974	(207) 548-6429 RepJames.Gillway@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Graham	Anne	D	97 Farms Edge Road North Yarmouth	04097	(207) 846-0049 apg1@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Grant	Gay	D	P. O. Box 4 South Gardiner	04359	(207) 582-5882 RepGay.Grant@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Guerin	Stacey	R	79 Phillips Road Glenburn	04401	(207) 884-7118 repguerin@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Harlow	Denise	D	36 Broadway Portland	04103	(207) 409-0870 deniseharlow@hotmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Harvell	Lance	R	398 Knowlton Corner Rd Farmington	04938	(207) 778-2981 lanceharvell@hotmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hayes	Terry	D	P. O. Box 367 Buckfield	04220	(207) 689-5484 terry@megalink.net	X	X	X	X	X	X
Herbig	Erin	D	P.O. Box 1015 Belfast	04915	(207) 542-7654 erinherbig@gmail.com	A	X	✓	A	A	A
Hickman	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Rd Winthrop	04364	(207) 377-3276 craighickman@rocketmail.com	A	X	X	X	A	✓
Hobbins	Barry	D	22 Glenhaven Circle Saco	04072	(207) 229-8996 bhobbins@hobbinslaw.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Hubbell	Brian	D	66 Park Street Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 288-3947 RepBrian.Hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jackson	Roger	R	50 Hebron Road Oxford	04270	(207) 539-4613 reproger.jackson@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	David	R	107 Rooks Road Eddington	04428	(207) 843-6929 djhouse20@gmail.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	Peter	R	P. O. Box 697 Greenville	04441	(207) 695-2019 rumridge27@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jones	Brian	D	12 Burnham Hill Road Freedom	04941	(207) 385-5226 representativebrianjones@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jorgensen	Erik	D	83 Highland Street Portland	04103	(207) 939-7120 ejorgensen@maine.rr.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kaenrath	Bryan	D	P. O. Box 2168 South Portland	04116	(207) 409-7137 kaenrath@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent	Peter	D	182 Montsweag Road Woolwich	04579	(207) 442-9255 pskentz5@hotmail.com	A	A	X	X	X	X
Keschl	Dennis	R	1024 Wings Mills Road Belgrade	04917	(207) 495-2973 keschl@yahoo.com	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Kinney	Jonathan	R	179 Beaver Berry Road Limington	04049	(207) 637-2366 repkinney@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knight	L.	R	453 Moose Hill Road Livermore Falls	04254	(207) 897-2489 LGary.Knight@usa.net	X	A	A	✓	✓	✓
Kornfield	Victoria	D	48 Madison Street Bangor	04401	(207) 947-7224 RepTori.Kornfield@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
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Kusiak	Karen	D	66 Bray Avenue Fairfield	04937	(207) 453-6834 karen.kusiak@colby.edu	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lajoie	Michel	D	279 Old Greene Road Lewiston	04240	(207) 783-1927 lajoie1@midmaine.com	X	X	A	X	X	X
Libby	Nathan	D	12 Orange Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 399-7993 RepNathan.Libby@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Long	Ricky	R	756 Island Falls Road Sherman	04776	(207) 365-4704 rdl_chief@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Longstaff	Thomas	D	39 Pleasant Street Waterville	04901	(207) 872-6617 thomas.longstaff@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Luchini	Louis	D	P. O. Box 1311 Ellsworth	04605	(207) 664-4699 louieluchini@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
MacDonald	W.	D	656 Back River Road Boothbay	04537	(207) 633-0570 bmacdon@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
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Malaby	Richard	R	52 Cross Road Hancock	04640	(207) 422-3146 rsmalaby@gmail.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marean	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road Hollis	04042	(207) 727-5527 lindonfarm@sacoriver.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marks	Timothy	D	640 Kelley Road Pittston	04345	(207) 582-6798 RepTim.Marks@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Mason	Andrew	D	899 Middlesex Road Topsham	04086	(207) 449-1502 andrew@andrewmason.pro	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mastraccio	Anne-Marie	D	23 Lebanon Street Sanford	04073	(207) 324-8692 annemariemastraccio@icloud.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
McCabe	Jeff	D	13 Olive Street Skowhegan	04976	(207) 474-5402 RepJeff.McCabe@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
McClellan	Michael	R	27 Pismire Mountain Rd Raymond	04071	(207) 655-4438 mmcclell@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
McElwee	Carol	R	54 Pioneer Avenue Caribou	04736	(207) 498-8605 cmcelwee@maine.rr.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Monaghan-Derrig	Kimberly	D	6 Russet Lane Cape Elizabeth	04107	(207) 749-9443 kmderrig@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Moonen	Matthew	D	17 Pine Street #2 Portland	04102	(207) 332-7823 matt.moonen@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Moriarty	Stephen	D	34 Blanchard Road Cumberland	04021	(207) 829-5095 smoriarty108@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Morrison	Terry	D	13 Ocean Street South Portland	04106	(207) 831-0828 tmorrison16@msn.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Nadeau	Allen	R	545 Caribou Road Fort Kent	04743	(207) 231-1201 wtpfordist1@yahoo.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Nadeau	Catherine	D	23 Patterson Avenue	04901	(207) 873-2025 nadeau1@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Nelson	Mary	D	213 Foreside Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 781-3750 mpn3@maine.rr.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Newendyke	Melvin	R	84 Small Road Litchfield	04350	(207) 268-2553 mln@fairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Noon	William	D	78 Sunset Road Springvale	04083	(207) 432-1790 NoonforMaine@gmail.com	A	X	X	X	X	X
Nutting	Robert	R	P. O. Box 100 Oakland	04963	(207) 465-7139 bob@bobnutting.com	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
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Peavey Haskell	Anita	R	17 Pine Street Milford	04461	(207) 827-7296 RepAnita.Peaveyhaskell@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peoples	Ann	D	22 Garfield Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 856-7264 annpeoples116@msn.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Peterson	Matthew	D	1106 Route 2 Rumford	04276	(207) 776-8051 petersonhouse08@gmail.com	X	X	A	A	A	A
Plante	Joshua	D	34 Goodwin Street Berwick	03901	(603) 978-2788 Repjoshua.plante@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Pouliot	Matthew	R	14 Winthrop Court Augusta	04330	(207) 441-9418 mpouliot57@gmail.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Powers	Christine	D	280 Thompson Point Rd. Naples	04055	(207) 318-2511 cbpowers@me.com	A	X	✓	X	X	X
Priest	Charles	D	9 Bowker Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 725-5439 cpriest1@comcast.net	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Rankin	Helen	D	84 Sebago Road Hiram	04041	(207) 625-4620 rankin8076@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Reed	Roger	R	278 Murray Road Carmel	04419	(207) 848-5136 rogerreed60@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rochelo	Megan	D	P. O. Box 2433 Biddeford	04005	(207) 929-0110 megan.rochelo@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Rotundo	Margaret	D	446 College Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 784-3259 mrotundo@bates.edu	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Russell	Diane	D	28 Vesper Street #2 Portland	04101	(207) 272-9182 RepDiane.Russell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rykerson	Deane	D	1 Salt Marsh Lane Kittery Point	03905	(207) 439-8755 rykersonforkittery@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sanborn	Linda	D	170 Spiller Road Gorham	04038	(207) 939-2879 lindafsanborn@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
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Saucier	Robert	D	117 Lombard Street Presque Isle	04769	(207) 227-1160 saucierforpi@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
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Short	Stanley	D	P. O. Box 103 Pittsfield	04967	(207) 487-4944 RepStanley.Short@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓
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Stanley	Stephen	D	614 Pattagumpus Road Medway	04460	(207) 746-5371 stanleyss@pioneercable.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stuckey	Peter	D	20 Vaill Street Portland	04103	(207) 773-3345 pstuckey114@yahoo.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Theriault	Charles	D	116 22nd Avenue Madawaska	04756	(207) 728-4526 kent23@myfairpoint.net	✓	X	A	A	A	A
Timberlake	Jeffrey	R	284 Ricker Hill Road Turner	04282	(207) 225-6016 jtimberlake_us@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tipping-Spitz	Ryan	D	279 Main St Orono	04473	(207) 866-4333 oronoryan@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
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Verow	Arthur	D	20 Greenwood Drive Brewer	04412	(207) 989-7032 arthurverow@hotmail.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Villa	Lisa	D	P. O. Box 427 Harrison	04040	(207) 712-5222 Villa98staterep@gmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Volk	Amy	R	4 Elbridge Oliver Way Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-1963 avolk@volkboxes.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wallace	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street Dexter	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Weaver	Windol	R	4 Weavers Way York	03909	(207) 363-4641 wcw63@aol.com	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Welsh	Joan	D	54 Sea Street Rockport	04856	(207) 236-6554 joanwelsh08@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Werts	R.	D	556 Pownal Road Auburn	04210	(207) 783-6931 rw556@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Willette	Alexander	R	106 Hanson Lake Road Mapleton	04757	(207) 768-1516 alexander.willette@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wilson	Corey	R	44 Kelton Road Augusta	04330	(207) 469-5295 RepCorey.Wilson@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winchenbach	Ellen	R	1121 Manktown Road Waldoboro	04572	(207) 832-2005 ellenaw12@yahoo.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winsor	Tom	R	107 Thurston Road Norway	04268	(207) 527-2233 twinsor@megalink.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wood	Stephen	R	P. O. Box 927 Sabattus	04280	(207) 740-3723 woodysnavy@aol.com	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓

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April 23, 2014

The Honorable Bruce Poliquin
Poliquin for Congress
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Dear Mr. Poliquin:

National Right to Life is pleased to endorse you for election to the U.S. House of Representatives, to represent the 2nd Congressional District of Maine.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of federal funds for abortion.

In 2010, Congress voted to enact President Obama's health care law, which provides government funding for health plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will result in the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. You are needed in Congress to help reverse the abortion-expanding and rationing effects of that law.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life throughout the nation and in the U.S. Congress. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically disabled or dependent persons, whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life and with the protection of the most vulnerable members of the human family should vote to send you to Congress, so that you can work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

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Barbara Ford
Executive Director
The Shepherd's Godparent Home, Bangor
Receives 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

(Auburn, ME) Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd's Godparent Home and founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor, has been awarded the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award. The announcement was made at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention held October 18 in Portland. A packed banquet hall responded to the news with a standing ovation. Several members of the Ford family were present for the Award Ceremony including husband of 26 years, Ed Ford; and children: Adam, Alexandra, and Joel. Dr. Jerry Mick of Bangor Baptist Church and his wife Jane were present for the ceremony as well.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life, states, *"Barbara Ford is a tireless leader for unborn babies and their mothers. She says "YES" to life-- with wide, open and supportive arms. Barbara provides young women facing crisis pregnancy with a loving and safe residence at the Shepherd's Godparent Home for the duration of their pregnancies."* Barbara Ford is also the founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor which is a transition apartment for young mothers to take a year to mature with their babies.

Since 1990 Barbara has been a foster parent to over 100 children. She leads by example beginning at home. Barbara Ford is the mother to 6 adopted children and 1 biological child. She believes and supports life at all stages….from being a foster parent…a mother…to being a legal guardian to 2 mentally disabled adults. She is also the Board President of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine.

The prestigious statewide Life Award is presented to a Maine citizen aged 12-100 years old who has consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/handicapped.

For the first time in the history of the award, two distinguished members of Maine's legislature submitted nominations for this year's award. Both Maine legislators independently nominated Barbara Ford for the award: Representative Ellie Espling (R) of New Gloucester and Senator David C. Burns (R) of Whiting.

"Barbara Ford shows love, compassion, and respect for young women facing crisis pregnancies by putting her faith in action year after year" said Teresa McCann-Tumidajski. *"There is no more worthy recipient of the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award than Barbara Ford. She is a beacon of light and hope for countless young mothers in need, She provides love and support for both baby and mother alike, at a time when both are most vulnerable,"* Tumidajski added.

The Patricia DeGrinney Life Award was instituted in honor of a founding member of Maine Right to Life Committee: Patricia DeGrinney. Patricia worked tirelessly for over 40 years to educate women and men

concerning the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. A staunch advocate for the unborn and elderly, Patricia DeGrinney spearheaded many pro-life programs throughout the state of Maine.

Several members of the DeGrinney family were also present for the 2014 Award Ceremony including son John DeGrinney and his wife Gigi, along with granddaughter, Grace.

Former winners of the prestigious statewide Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award are:

2013 Carl Maddaleni, Director of Maine Vitae Society, Cape Elizabeth, ME
2012 Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll of New Harbor, ME
2011 Judy Cushing, Executive Director, ABBA, A Women's Resource Center, Portland, ME
2010 Margaret Yates, RN, of East Wilton, ME
2009 Patricia Truman of Hallowell, ME

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. -----Margaret Mead

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September 16, 2014

The Honorable Paul LePage
The Committee to Re-Elect Governor Paul LePage
Post Office Box 1788
Waterville, Maine 04903

Dear Governor LePage:

National Right to Life, the federation of state right-to-life organizations, is pleased to endorse you for re-election as governor.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of tax funds for abortion.

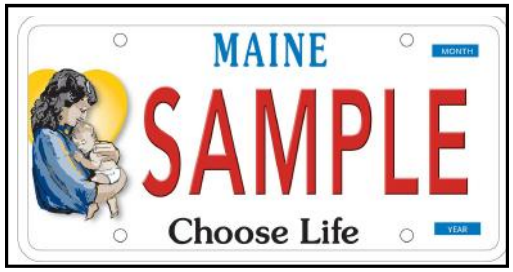
This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically dependent or disabled persons – whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life should vote to re-elect you as governor, so that you can continue to work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

David N. O'Steen, Ph.D.
Executive Director

Karen A. Cross
Political Director



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Choose Life Maine, Inc. in accordance with the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles has initiated the process to make available to the people of Maine a "CHOOSE LIFE MAINE" specialty license plate. We are required to obtain 2,000 pre-paid orders for the license plate before the Bureau will draft the necessary legislation to request the state legislature to put the plate into circulation.

If you would like to help us make this plate available to the people of the State of Maine, please complete the following application (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) and submit it with your check or money order for $25.00 payable to CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC. and mail it to us at:

CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC., c/o David Alexander, 2 Ballard Street, Augusta, Maine 04330; Phone: (207) 622-0953

All proceeds we will eventually receive from the State will be allocated to not-for-profit, life affirming pregnancy support centers licensed and resident in the State of Maine.

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ANALYSIS & BACKGROUNDER

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

To: All Journalists & Interested Parties

From: Tatiana Bergum, Deputy Press Secretary
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Re: *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*

National Right to Life Analysis:

Narrow Supreme Court decision in Hobby Lobby underscores deeper abortion-expanding aspects of Obamacare

The National Right to Life Committee, the nation's oldest and largest pro-life organization, today released the following analysis of yesterday's U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby.* Any part of the following analysis may be attributed to National Right to Life.

The ruling provides a modest victory for religious conscience rights. However, as explained further below, the ruling does not truly correct any of the major abortion-expanding problems created by Obamacare.

The five-justice majority rejected the Obama Administration's attempt to force family-owned for-profit corporations to directly purchase health insurance covering certain drugs and devices that violate the employer's religious and moral beliefs. The Court held that this application of a provision of Obamacare violates a federal statute, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The Court's majority recognized the gravity of the moral and religious objections raised by Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Wood Specialties in this case.

However, the Court left open the possibility that those objections might be satisfactorily resolved by a government mandate ("accommodation") that these employers' insurance carriers pay directly for

the same drugs and devices. This leaves unresolved the status of many entities (including religiously affiliated schools, charities, and hospitals) with sincere religiously based objections to providing specific drugs and devices, who regard a federal mandate that requires them to take action to require their insurance carrier to carry out the same ends as differing only in form and not in substance from the original mandate.

Moreover, regardless of how the scope of the "accommodation" is defined by future rulemaking and litigation, it is difficult to discern what would prevent HHS from issuing a further expansion of its "preventive services" mandate to require that most employers also provide coverage for surgical abortions, or for doctor-prescribed suicide, that would be just as expansive as the contraceptive mandate.

In short, even with respect only to the "preventive services" component of Obamacare, the Court's ruling in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* comes nowhere near to correcting the heart of the problem, which is the overly expansive authority that the Obamacare law itself provides to HHS to define "preventive services." The other major abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare, including the massive tax subsidies that will assist millions of Americans to purchase health plans that cover elective abortion, were not even issues in the cases just decided.

Only comprehensive legislative reform can cure the multiple abortion-expanding components of Obamacare – and such reform can only be accomplished with new leadership in the U.S. Senate and in the White House.

During the congressional debate over Obamacare, National Right to Life continuously warned against the abortion-expanding and health care rationing provisions of the bill. An archive of documents related to the abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare is available here: http://www.nrlc.org/federal/ahc/obamalaw/. In March, National Right to Life's Robert Powell Center for Medical Ethics issued a report on how Obamacare is rationing access to life-preserving medical treatment, "The Affordable Care Act and Health Care Access in the United States" which is available here (with other supporting materials): http://www.nrlc.org/communications/healthcarereport.

For interviews on this analysis, or the abortion-expanding and rationing provisions of Obamacare, please contact the NRLC Communications Department at (202) 626-8825 or mediarelations@nrlc.org.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

Ann M. LePage

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First Lady of Maine

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

2014 PRO-LIFE VOTER GUIDE

Maine Right to Life Committee (MRLC) is the state affiliate of National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

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Gubernatorial and U.S. Congressional Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR				
	I	Eliot Cutler	Cape Elizabeth	Pro-Abortion
	R	Paul LePage	Augusta	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
	D	Michael Michaud	East Millinocket	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES SENATE				
	D	Shenna Bellows	Manchester	Pro-Abortion. Endorsed by Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
	R	Susan Collins	Bangor	Mixed voting record
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES CONGRESS				
1	R	Isaac Misiuk	Gorham	Pro-Life
1	I	Richard Murphy	Sanford	Pro-Life. *"I don't agree with the Roe v. Wade decision." (MPBN 1st Congressional District Debate)*
1	D	Chellie Pingree	North Haven	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC
2	D	Emily Cain	Orono	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
2	R	Bruce Poliquin	Oakland	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
2	I	Blaine Richardson	Belfast	Pro-Life

Questions for State Legislative Candidates

ABORTION

1. Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe that abortion should be legal?
   A. If a woman chooses abortion, for any reason, throughout pregnancy.
   B. If the abortion is performed in the first trimester of pregnancy.
   C. If the baby was conceived through rape or incest.
   D. If the baby has a handicap or defect.
   E. If a woman wants to insure the specific gender of the fetus.
   F. I am opposed to abortion, except to save the LIFE of the mother.
2. Would you support legislation requiring that a woman considering abortion be...
   A. Fully informed of the risks & alternatives prior to the procedure including a 24-hour waiting period and information on fetal development?
   B. Be offered (not required) to view a Fetal Monitor/live Ultrasound prior to an abortion?
3. Would you oppose legislation in which Title X taxpayer dollars are used to fund Planned Parenthood?
4. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification prior to dispensing contraceptives/birth control Rx's to minors through the school system?
5. Would you support a ban on the use of baby body parts (fetal tissue) taken from the victims of abortions for experimentation or scientific research?
6. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification for minor-aged children seeking an abortion?
7. Would you support legislation requiring abortion facilities to have the same level of medical oversight and regulations as is required for other Maine ambulatory surgical facilities? If NO, why not?
8. Would you support Wrongful Death legislation for a parent whose unborn, viable fetus was killed as the result of negligence by another?

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9. Would you vote to oppose legislation similar to Oregon/Washington/Vermont policy that would impose rationing that intentionally denies treatment on the basis of disability, degree of medical necessity, or quality of life of those denied treatment?
10. Do you oppose legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide?

D--Democrat
R--Republican
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IL--Independent of Liberty
IM--Independent of Maine
GI--Green Independent
NP--Non Party
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CANDIDATES FOR MAINE STATE SENATE

District	Party	Candidate Name	City/Town	Any Reason 1A	First Trimester 1B	Rape/Incest 1C	Handicapped 1D	Gender 1E	Never Legal Except to Save Mother's Life 1F	Fully Informed 2A	Ultrasound 2B	Title X Taxpayer $ 3	Minors/Birth Control 4	Ban Baby Parts 5	Parental Consent 6	Medical Oversight 7	Wrongful Death for viable fetus 8	Oppose Med Ration 9	Oppose PAS 10	Comments
MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
1	R	Peter Edgecomb	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*Undecided.* **Pro-life voting record.**
1	D	Charles Kenneth Theriault	Madawaska	N	N	N	N	N	Y*	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"I am opposed to abortion except to save the life of the mother."
2	D	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
2	R	Michael J. Willette	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
3	D	Craig J. Heavey	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	R	Rodney L. Whittemore	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	R	Paul T. Davis, Sr.	Sangerville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	D	David F. Ziemer	Orneville Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	D	James F. Dill	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	R	Wanda L. Lincoln	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
6	R	David C. Burns	Whiting	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I believe that #1F is an excuse for aborting a baby when other measures are available.*"
6	D	Anne C. Perry	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
7	D	Theodore S. Koffman	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
7	R	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
8	D	Paul P. Davis	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
8	R	Edward M. Youngblood	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
9	D	Geoffrey M. Gratwick	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
9	R	Cary M. Weston	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
10	R	Andre E. Cushing, III	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
10	D	Jaric T. Fontaine	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
11	D	Jonathan S. Fulford	Monroe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
11	R	Michael D. Thibodeau	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
12	D	David R. Miramant	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
12	R	Paula G. Sutton	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
13	R	Leslie T. Fossel	Alna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
13	D	Christopher K. Johnson	Somerville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
14	D	David W. Bustin	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
14	R	Earle L. McCormick	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
14	U	Gary A.Quintal	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
15	D	Anna D. Blodgett	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey
15	R	Roger J. Katz	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
16	R	Alek J. Fortier	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
16	D	Colleen M. Lachowicz	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
17	D	Joanne F.Dunlap	Rangeley Plantation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
17	R	Thomas B.Saviello	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	R	L. Gary Knight	Livermore Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	D	John L. Patrick	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	James M. Hamper	Oxford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
19	D	Rose K. Rogers-Wells	Brownfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
20	R	Eric L. Brakey	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
20	D	John J. Cleveland	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC

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21	R	Patricia J. Gagne	Lewiston	N	N	N	N	N	?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"From conception to natural death, I support life!"*
21	D	Nathan L. Libby	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	D	Guy P. Desjardins	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	R	Garrett P. Mason	Lisbon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
23	R	Linda L. Baker	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
23	G	Alice E. Knapp	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
23	D	Eloise A. Vitelli	Arrowsic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
24	D	Stanley J. Gerzofsky	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
24	G	K. Frederick Horch	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
24	R	Jennifer L. Johnson	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
25	D	Catherine Breen	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
25	R	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
26	R	David T. Call	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
26	D	G. William Diamond	Windham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
27	D	Justin L. Alfond	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
27	R	Peter I. Doyle	Portland	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would always support legislation that protects a mother and her unborn child and helps her to always choose life!"*
27	G	Asher D. Platts	Portland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	N	—	N	*"That would reduce availability to hospitals and shut down abortion clinics." "I support abortion on demand, without appology." "END THE WAR ON WOMEN."*
28	D	Anne M. Haskell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
28	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
28	G	Danielle V. Unterreiner	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
29	G	Mark D. Diehl	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
29	D	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
29	R	John F. Ridge	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	R	Amy F. Volk	Scarborough	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
31	R	Michael E. Coleman	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Linda M. Valentino	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
32	R	James W. Booth	Arundel	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a real Catholic."* Pro-life voting record
32	D	David E Dutremble	Biddeford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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34	F	Richard J. Burns	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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35	R	Windol C. Weaver	York	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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10	D	Amy J. Davidoff	Arundel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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13	D	George W. Hogan	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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14	R	Daphne G. Warren	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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19	D	William F. Noon	Sanford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	Matthew A. Harrington	Sanford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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21	I	James J. Campbell, Sr.	Newfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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23	D	Michael A. Shaw	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
23	G	Michael Wakefield	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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28	R	Heather W. Sirocki	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
29	D	Paul Aranson	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	R	Pauline S. Wilcox	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Terry K. Morrison	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
32	D	Scott M. Hamann	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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36	D	Denise Patricia Harlow	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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39	G	Lauren Marie Besanko	Portland	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	?	N	N	N	*"Physician Assisted Suicide would be highly regulated and only with informed consent." "I' support abortion except when the fetus is old enough to live outside the womb…approx. 24 weeks."*
40	D	Herbert C. Adams	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
40	I	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
40	R	Mark A. Lockman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record**. Did not return survey
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43	R	Shannon Rafferty-Roy	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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45	D	Dale Denno	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
45	R	Michael J. Timmons	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
46	D	Anne P. Graham	North Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
46	R	Paul Chace	Durham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
47	D	Janice E. Cooper	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
47	R	Richard Vinton Snow	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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52	D	Jennifer L. DeChant	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
52	R	Ryan Matthew Daniels	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
53	D	Peter S. Kent	Woolwich	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
53	R	Jeffrey K. Pierce	Dresden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	D	Denise A. Tepler	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	G	Daniel Longley Stromgren	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	R	Kim J. Talbot	Topsham	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
55	D	Alice D. Elliott	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
55	R	Brian D. Hobart	Bowdoinham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
56	R	Dale J. Crafts	Lisbon	N	N	N	N	N	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would need more info before I could decide." **Pro-life voting record**
57	D	Katherine E. Ver Sluis	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
57	R	Stephen J. Wood	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
58	D	Michel A. Lajoie	Lewiston	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pro-abort voting record

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58	R	Luke D. Jensen	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	D	Margaret R. Rotundo	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	R	James W. Sorcek	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	D	Jared F. Golden	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	R	Leslie T. Dubois	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	D	Heidi E. Brooks	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	R	Brian Wood	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	U	Mark A. Cayer	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	D	Gina M. Melaragno	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	R	Brandon Eli Dickey	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	U	John M. Michael	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
63	D	R. Wayne Werts	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
63	R	Bruce A. Bickford	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Mixed voting record
64	D	Bettyann Watson Sheats	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
64	R	David P. Sawicki	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I believe life begins at conception. We are called to protect life at all stages."*
65	D	Rosa Van Wie	New Gloucester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
65	R	Eleanor M. Espling	New Gloucester	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "In cases of rape, incest and life of the mother, I would hope a woman would choose to keep her baby but I hesitate to outlaw abortion in all those cases. Each situation is different."
66	D	Mary-Vienessa Fernandes	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	G	Lisa H. Willey	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	R	Michael D. McClellan	Raymond	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I support Maine Right to Life 100%*."
67	D	Bonnie Titcomb Lewis	Raymond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
67	R	Susan M. Austin	Gray	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"*Except in the case of rape and incest."*
68	D	Christine B. Powers	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
68	R	John M. Nostin	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
69	D	Lisa Renee Villa	Harrison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
69	R	Phyllis A. Ginzler	Bridgton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
70	D	Helen Rankin	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
70	R	Nathan J. Wadsworth	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	D	Dennise Dullea Whitley	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	R	Tom J. Winsor	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
72	D	James F. Bradley	Mechanic Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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72	R	Kathleen RJ Dillingham	Oxford																	Candidate responded in narrative manner. Contact Maine Right to Life for full answers.
73	D	Robert Kirchherr	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
73	R	Lloyd C. Herrick	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
74	D	Paul E. Gilbert	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
74	R	C. Harvey Calden	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	D	Charles F. Dingman	Leeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	R	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
75	U	Gerard R. Tardif	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	D	Richard H. C. Tracy	Rome	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	R	Gary L. Hilliard	Belgrade	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
77	D	Alan B. Tibbetts	Sidney	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
77	R	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
78	D	Catherine M. Nadeau	Winslow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
78	R	Susan Ellen Morissette	Winslow	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
79	D	Cristina L. Evers	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
79	R	Timothy S. Theriault	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
80	D	Lori A. Fowle	Vassalboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
80	R	Ray L. Bates	Windsor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
81	D	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
81	R	Lee T. Fellman	Readfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	D	Rachel L. Sukeforth	Litchfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	R	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I consider myself to be pro-life except in **extreme** cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the mother's life."
83	D	Gay M. Grant	Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
83	R	Curtis C. Ayotte	Farmingdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	D	Charlotte May Warren	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	R	Darrick X. Banda	Manchester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	D	Donna R. Doore	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	R	Kimberly Jeanne Davis	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	D	Monica L. Castellanos	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	R	Matthew G. Pouliot	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
87	D	Timothy I. Marks	Pittston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey

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87	R	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a Catholic."*
88	R	Deborah J. Sanderson	Chelsea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
89	R	Stephanie Hawke	Boothbay Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
89	U	Willliam H. Coombs	Edgecomb	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
90	D	Michael G. Devin	Newcastle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
90	R	Anna Morkeski	Damariscotta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
91	R	Ellen A. Winchenbach	Waldoboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
91	U	Jeffrey Evangelos	Friendship	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	D	Chuck Kruger	Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	R	Sonja Sleeper	South Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
93	D	Elizabeth E. Dickerson	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
93	R	James Michael Kalloch	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	D	Joan W. Welsh	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
94	R	Ronald J. Bovasso	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	U	Owen David Casas	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	G	Randall A. Parr	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	R	Wesley E. Richardson	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
95	U	Christian William Neils	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	U	Gary E. Sukeforth	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	D	Christine S. Burstein	Lincolnville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	R	Peter Weston	Montville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
97	D	Erin D. Herbig	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Absent/Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
97	G	Paige Katharine Brown	Northport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
97	R	Benjamin L. Bryant	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
98	R	James S. Gillway	Searsport	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
98	U	Joseph E. Brooks	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	D	Brian L. Jones	Freedom	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	R	MaryAnne Kinney	Knox	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am opposed to abortion period."*
100	D	Frederick H. Austin	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
100	R	Kenneth Wade Fredette	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
100	U	David L. Bright	Dixmont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
101	D	James E. Davitt	Hampden	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	Y	Y	N	**"This would appear to be unconstitutional." "This is a very one-sided poll. In many questions there is no simple yes or no.'*

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101	R	Brian M. Duprey	Hampden	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
102	R	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"Thanks for all you do!"*
103	D	Mary E. Sharkus	Hermon	—	—	Y	—	—	—	Y	—	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*"This is not a yes or no answer."
103	R	Roger E. Reed	Carmel	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
104	D	David B. Pearson	Dexter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
104	R	Raymond A. Wallace	Dexter	N	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
105	D	Daniel S. Swain	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
105	R	Joel R. Stetkis	Canaan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	?*	*"I don't know enough about this issue to make an informed decision."
106	D	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
106	R	Scott Walter Strom	Pittsfield	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I have been pro-life my whole life. This was the first issue that pushed me to be a Republican."*
107	D	Jeff M. McCabe	Skowhegan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
107	R	Timothy S. Amadon	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
108	D	Karen Kusiak	Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
108	R	John Joseph Picchiotti	Fairfield	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
109	D	Thomas R. W. Longstaff	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	D	Henry E. M. Beck	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	R	Mark Richard Andre	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
111	D	Ann E. Dorney	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
111	R	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	D	Jack W. Frost, Jr.	Anson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	R	Thomas H. Skolfield	Weld	—	Y	Y	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	Y	
113	D	Edward S. David	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
113	R	Andrew Russell Buckland	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	D	Guy A. Iverson	Chesterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	R	Russell J. Black	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
115	D	Matthew J. Peterson	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
115	R	Terrence L. Magee	Woodstock	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	*"This depends on who is paying. If a person who smokes, drinks, and uses drugs wants a new liver, I would have a hard time justifying the state pay for it."
116	D	Malcolm M. Gill	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
116	R	Richard A. Pickett	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
117	D	Callie Pecunies	Albany Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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117	R	Frances M. Head	Bethel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	D	Matthew J. Quinn	Cornville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	R	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
119	R	Paul A. Stearns	Guilford	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
120	D	Donald James Crossman	Milo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
120	R	Norman E. Higgins	Dover-Foxcroft	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
121	D	Robert S. Duchesne	Hudson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
121	R	Douglas A. Smith	Corinth	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
122	D	Michelle Ann Dunphy	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
122	R	John M. Nuttall	Old Town	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
123	D	Ryan D. Tipping-Spitz	Orono	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
123	R	Andrew James Bracy	Orono	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	"*Personally against abortion, but it is not my decision to make for other people.*"
124	D	Aaron M. Frey	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
124	R	Colby B. Civiello	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
125	D	Victoria P. Kornfield	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
125	R	Gary E. Capehart	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
126	D	John C. Schneck	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
126	R	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
127	D	Adam A. Goode	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
127	R	James V. Lacadie	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
128	D	Arthur C. Verow	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
128	R	Gail M. Sheehan	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	D	Teresa Montague	Clifton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	R	Peter A. Lyford	Eddington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	D	Emery A. Deabay	Bucksport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	R	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	D	Veronica Garvey Magnan	Stockton Springs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	R	Karleton S. Ward	Dedham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
132	D	Louis J. Luchini	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
132	R	R. Frederick Ehrlenbach	Trenton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
133	D	Ralph Chapman	Brooksville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
133	R	Susan M. Walsh	Blue Hill	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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134	D	Walter A. Kumiega III	Deer Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
134	R	Frank L. Stanley	Tremont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
135	D	Brian L. Hubbell	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
135	R	Maurice Joseph Marshall	Lamoine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	D	Elizabeth A. Allen	Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	R	Richard S. Malaby	Hancock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
137	D	Oscar F. Emerson	Bradley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
137	R	Lawrence E. Lockman	Amherst	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
138	D	Robert W. Alley, Sr.	Beals	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
138	R	Richard O. Paul	Addison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
139	D	Katherine W. Cassidy	Lubec	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
139	R	William R. Tuell	East Machias	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	D	Harold Roy Clark, Jr.	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	R	Joyce A. Maker	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
141	R	Beth P. Turner	Burlington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
142	R	Sheldon Mark Hanington	Lincoln	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
143	D	Stephen S. Stanley	Medway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
143	R	Debbi J. Perkins	Millinocket	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	D	George T. Schools	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	R	Roger L. Sherman	Hodgdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
145	D	Glenn M. Hines	Hammond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
145	R	Ricky D. Long	Sherman	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
146	D	Troy A. Haines	Mapleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
146	R	Dustin Michael White	Washburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
147	D	Robert J. Saucier	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record/Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
147	R	Larry K. Fox	Presque Isle	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am strongly pro-life and will rigorously support that position."*
148	D	Alan D. Whittemore	Limestone	*	*	*	*	*	*	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	**	N	*"I support the federal laws of the U.S." **"Need more information." "When right-to-lifers choose to care as much about the children already born and living in poverty as much as you do about abortion, we will have gained in society."*
148	R	Anthony J. Edgecomb	Fort Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
148	U	Gregory Alan Ward	Limestone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
149	R	Carol A. McElwee	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
150	D	Roland Daniel Martin	Sinclair Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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150	R	Craig M. Lawrence	Frenchville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
151	D	John L. Martin	Eagle Lake	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	?	Y	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"If in care of their parents." **Pro-life voting record**
151	R	Allen Michael Nadeau	Fort Kent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey

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April 23, 2014

The Honorable Bruce Poliquin
Poliquin for Congress
Post Office Box 50
Oakland, Maine 04963

Dear Mr. Poliquin:

National Right to Life is pleased to endorse you for election to the U.S. House of Representatives, to represent the 2nd Congressional District of Maine.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of federal funds for abortion.

In 2010, Congress voted to enact President Obama's health care law, which provides government funding for health plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will result in the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. You are needed in Congress to help reverse the abortion-expanding and rationing effects of that law.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life throughout the nation and in the U.S. Congress. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically disabled or dependent persons, whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life and with the protection of the most vulnerable members of the human family should vote to send you to Congress, so that you can work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

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8	Alfond	Justin	D	134 Sheridan St. Portland	04101	justin@justinalfond.com 207-828-0277	X	X	—	X	X	X
6	Boyle	James	D	25 Dundee Rd. Gorham	04038	senjames.boyle@legislature.maine.gov c:207-899-9606	X	X	—	X	X	X
29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd. Whiting	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
30	Cain	Emily	D	103 Forest Ave. Orono	04473	emily.cain@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St. Auburn	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd. Wells	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
16	Craven	Margaret	D	41 Russell St. Lewiston	04240	mmcraven@roadrunner.com 207-783-1897	X	X	—	X	X	X
33	Cushing	Andre	R	PO Box 211 Hampden	04444	andre@andrecushing.com 207-358-9447	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
4	Dutremble	David	D	536 Elm St. Biddeford	04005	ddutrem1@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr. Winthrop	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
10	Gerzofsky	Stanley	D	3 Federal St. Brunswick	04011	stan1340@aol.com 207-373-1328	X	X	—	X	X	X
32	Gratwick	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Ave. Bangor	04401	Sengeoff.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X

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13	Hamper	James	R	1023 King St. Oxford	04270	senatorhamp@gmail.com 207-539-4586	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
9	Haskell	Anne	D	31 Higgins St. Portland	04101	annehask@maine.rr.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
1	Hill	Dawn	D	PO Box 701 Cape Neddick	03902	SenDawn.Hill@Legislature.maine.gov 207-337-3689	X	X	—	X	X	X
35	Jackson	Troy	D	167 Allagash Rd. Allagash	04774	SenTroy.Jackson@legislature.maine.gov 207-436-0763	X	X	—	✓	✓	X
20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd. Somerville	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	X	X	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St. Augusta	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
25	Lachowicz	Colleen	D	One Kelsey St., #2 Waterville	04901	sencolleen.lachowicz@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St. Ellsworth	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	X	✓	—	X	X	X
17	Mason	Garrett	R	312 Ridge Rd. Lisbon Falls	04252	SenGarrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov 207-577-1521	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
22	Mazurek	Edward	D	65 Beech St. Rockland	04841	edmazurek1@aol.com 207-594-5647	X	X	—	X	X	X
7	Millett	Rebecca	D	12 Waumbek Rd. Cape Elizabeth	04107	senrebeccamillett@gmail.com 207-415-3903	X	X	—	X	X	X
14	Patrick	John	D	206 Strafford Ave. rumford	04276	johnpat2000@hotmail.com 207-364-7666	X	X	—	X	X	X
12	Plummer	Gary	R	248 Gray Rd. Windham	04062	senG.plummer@legislature.maine.gov 207-892-6088	✓	✓	—	✓	X	X
18	Saviello	Thomas	R	60 Applegate Ln. Wilton	04294	drtom16@hotmail.com 207-645-3420	X	✓	—	✓	✓	X
34	Sherman	Roger	R	PO Box 682 Houlton	04730	Senroger.sherman@legislature.maine.gov 207-532-7073	A	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
23	Thibodeau	Michael	R	169 Coles Corner Rd. Winterport	04496	senatorthibodeau@aol.com 207-223-5177	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
27	Thomas	Douglas	R	306 Stream Rd. Ripley	04643	firewood@tds.net 207-277-3017	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
3	Tuttle	John	D	176 Cottage St. Sanford	04073	SenJohn.Tuttle@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
5	Valentino	Linda	D	PO Box 1049 Saco	04072	senatorvalentino@gmail.com c:207-205-0077	X	X	—	X	X	X

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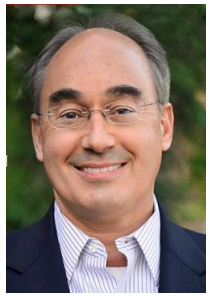

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

	Name of Legislation	Voted	Score
Passed	Passage of pro-life reconciliation bill (defund Planned Parenthood) 10/23/15	Y	√
Passed	Womens Public Health and Safety Act (Medicaid state flexibility) 09/29/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Defund Planned Parenthood Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	Y	√
Failed	Motion to add open-ended "health" exception to 20-week abortion ban 05/13/15	N	√
Passed	To block the D.C. "Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act" (RHNDA) 04/30/15	Not Voting	Not Scored
Passed	Repeal of the Obamacare health care law 02/03/15	N	X
Passed	No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) 01/22/15	Y	√

√ = Voted For Us X = <u>Voted Against Us</u>

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Things to Consider:

Panic will work against you.
Take a deep breath and relax. Give yourself the chance to make a thoughtful and purposeful decision about what **YOU** want.
TheUnChoice.com reports that about 64% of those who have an abortion felt pressured by others into making that decision.

Are you making an informed choice?
Be medically aware:
-Do you know the specific actions the doctor will perform on your body?

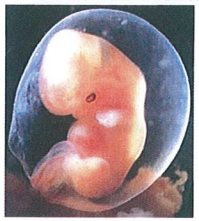
-Are you prepared for the risks of the procedure during and after and what follow-up will they provide?

-If you have had an ultrasound done, have you viewed the image of your baby? It is your legal right.

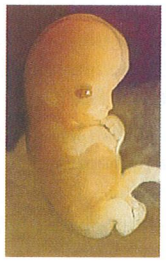
Be emotionally aware:
-Are you aware of the psychological consequences of an abortion you may experience immediately after or for the rest of your life?

Your Baby Is...

Day 1 (Fertilization) - already a unique human being with a specific set of chromosomes (DNA).



Day 22 (3 weeks) - growing rapidly and has a heartbeat.



Week 7 - kicking and Swimming

Week 8 - hearing your voice.

Week 12 - sucking his /her thumb and can feel pain.

There are risks to abortion.
A surgical abortion takes only 10 minutes, but its effects can last a lifetime.

There is an increased risk of future miscarriage.

There are also increased risks of premature births and Breast Cancer.

Many women suffer flashbacks, anxiety attacks, and have trouble sleeping.

Depression or thoughts of suicide are often experienced by women who choose abortion.

Problems bonding with current and future children are common.

We can help you care for your baby or arrange an Adoption Plan.

OPTIONS

The decision you are making will alter your life forever. Get all the information you need to make an informed decision for yourself and your unborn child.

You can ALWAYS change your mind, even at the last minute.

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Ignorance and fear restrict your best thinking.

Learn your Options. Relax and take a deep breath.

Don't let yourself feel intimidated or rushed by a spouse or partner.

The world is filled with possibilities.

There is Hope. We are here for you.

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Free Maine Resources

Southern Maine

Portland

- ABBA—A Women's Resource Center (207) 253-5555 or text (207) 200-5746 www.abbapregnancychoice.org answergirl@abbapregnancychoice.org
- Catholic Charities Maine-Birthline 1-800-781-8550 x2672 psm@ccmaine.org www.ccmaine.org/psm
- Project Rachel, Diocese of Portland (207)321-7885 annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org

Sanford

- Alpha Pregnancy Resource Ctr. (207) 324-5752 alpha@gwi.net www.alphapregnancyhelp.com

Biddeford

- St. Andre Home, Inc. office (207) 282-3351 or 1-844-300-LOVE (5683) www.saintandrehome.org pregnancysupport@saintandrehome.org
- New Hope Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 571-HOPE (4673) newhopepregnancyresourceter@gmail.com www.newhopepregnancyresourcecenter.com

Dover, NH

- Options for Women Pregnancy Health Center & Clinic (603) 749-4441 www.optionsforwomen.org

Central Maine

Augusta

- Open Arms Pregnancy Center (207) 620-1600 info@openarmspc.org www.openarmspc.org

Waterville

- First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 872-5070 firstchoicepregnancyctr@yahoo.com www.firstchoicepregnancycenter.org

Lewiston/Mechanic Falls

- Hope House's Family Support Ctr (207) 577-1165 hopehouse17@gmail.com www.hopehousemaine.com

Brunswick

- Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine (207) 725-5433 www.carenetme.org thecenter@carenetme.org

Fryeburg

- Mother Seton House (207) 935-1066 info@mothersetonhouse.com www.mothersetonhouse.com

Rockland

- Care Net Crisis Pregnancy Center (207) 594-1616 carenet@midcoast.com www.carenetofrockland.com

Northern Maine

Bangor

- First Step Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 942-1611 firststeppregnancy@msn.com www.firststeppregnancy.com
- The Shepherd's Godparent Home (207) 947-9220 Crisis line: 949-CARE (2273) www.godparenthome.org

Aroostook County

- Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook— 1-800-300-0220 Locations: **Fort Kent**—(207) 834-5800 **Houlton**—(207) 532-6380 **Presque Isle**—(207) 764-0022 christiecorey@hotmail.com www.pcc-hope.org

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Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2013 *	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Suction Curettage	1335	1393	1841	1966	2156	2322	2390	2172
Sharp Curettage	5	1	3	7	4	2	0	4
Dilation & Evacuation	95	17	2	3	3	0	6	4
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	500	357	465	437	460	364	276	469
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Unknown	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	4
Total	**1939**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**

*2012 Final Data not yet available from CDC

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2013 *	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
< 9 Weeks	1237	1224	1630	1614	1795	1789	1779	1807
9 Weeks	165	177	238	259	279	314	306	288
10 Weeks	150	105	147	166	173	189	184	204
11 Weeks	121	93	89	135	131	145	141	137
12 Weeks	94	87	97	105	123	134	139	107
13 Weeks	63	53	82	96	79	86	81	74
14 Weeks	24	16	5	16	17	10	13	5
15 Weeks	28	5	1	4	8	1	4	3
16 Weeks	7	0	1	2	1	4	1	1
17 Weeks	15	2	3	1	2	1	2	0
18 Weeks	14	4	0	1	1	2	3	9
19 Weeks	2	0	5	6	3	3	7	9
20+ Weeks	13	6	12	3	11	10	12	8
Unknown	6	1	1	5	0	1	0	1
Total	**1939**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2762**	**2653**

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Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2013 *	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
< 10 Years Old	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	4	7	11	7	7	10	11	12
15 Years Old	10	9	24	18	23	26	26	26
16 Years Old	33	21	29	50	41	57	60	47
17 Years Old	47	48	46	64	97	96	92	115
18 Years Old	62	81	110	127	130	135	140	141
19 Years Old	102	95	166	138	176	169	154	181
20-24 Years Old	651	616	781	853	921	937	966	863
25-29 Years Old	495	415	552	603	597	608	561	569
30-34 Years Old	282	260	324	280	323	335	330	329
35-39 Years Old	159	155	186	193	238	212	209	201
40-44 Years Old	79	50	77	75	64	81	74	85
Greater than 44	10	2	4	5	3	3	3	6
Unknown	4	11	1	0	3	20	46	78
Total	**1939**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**

*2012 Final Data not yet available from CDC

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2013 *	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total # of Abortions	**1939**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**	**2672**	**2653**
With 1 prior birth	493	391	541	557	641	588	560	639
With 2 prior births	319	297	360	395	429	451	453	400
With 3+ prior births	165	151	204	192	206	211	195	214
Unknown prior births	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total w/prior births	**981**	**846**	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**	**1208**	**1253**
With 1 prior abortion	431	427	517	589	656	705	627	621
With 2 prior abortions	155	148	200	230	231	236	207	186
With 3 + prior abortions	84	69	106	117	108	109	80	82
Unknown prior abortions	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total w/prior abortions	**672**	**651**	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**	**914**	**889**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	258	220	273	277	311	318	309	289
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	59	56	54	64	59	60	59	73
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	25	27	27	33	41	29	26	28
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	2	6	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**344**	**309**	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**	**394**	**390**

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GAO report confirms elective abortion coverage widespread in Obamacare exchange plans

WASHINGTON – A report by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), a nonpartisan investigatory arm of Congress, made public today, provides dismaying confirmation of earlier predictions by National Right to Life that federally subsidized abortion coverage would become a widespread feature of Obamacare. The report found that more than one thousand federally subsidized exchange plans currently cover elective abortion.

"It is no surprise that the Obama Administration is spending billions of taxpayer dollars subsidizing the purchase of health plans that cover abortion on demand," said National Right to Life Legislative Director Douglas Johnson. **"Those really responsible for this scandal are the lawmakers, such as Mary Landrieu of Louisiana, Kay Hagan of North Carolina, Mark Begich of Alaska, and Mark Udall of Colorado, who voted against the pro-life amendment that would have prevented this massive federal funding of abortion-covering plans, as well as those who voted to enact the bill after the amendment was rejected, such as Mark Pryor of Arkansas."**

The GAO report focused mainly on determining the prevalence of elective abortion coverage in health plans sold on the exchanges, in the 27 states plus D.C. that currently do not have laws in effect that restrict abortion coverage. The GAO found that on these 28 exchanges, 1,036 plans cover elective abortion while 1,062 do not. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that between 2015 and 2024, $726 *billion* will flow from the federal Treasury in direct subsidies for Obamacare health plans.

The Obamacare law was enacted in early 2010 despite objections from pro-life forces that it contained provisions that would result in massive federal subsidies to help scores of millions of Americans buy health plans that cover elective abortion. However, President Obama repeatedly insisted that "no federal dollars will be used to fund abortions."

The GAO findings validate previous charges by National Right to Life that the federal taxpayer is subsidizing the purchase of abortion-covering plans on a massive scale. As *Politico* reported today, "The vast majority of people who bought coverage on the exchanges did so with subsidies. According to government figures, 87 percent of the 5.4 million people who bought a plan on HealthCare.gov in the last enrollment period did so with at least some subsidy."

These massive subsidies for abortion-covering plans amount to a sharp break from decades of federal policy under the Hyde Amendment. The Hyde Amendment says that no federal funds "shall be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion," but the Hyde Amendment does not apply to the Obamacare law. Attempts to include Hyde-like language in the Obamacare law were initially successful in the House but were ultimately blocked by President Obama and his allies in Congress. (For detailed discussion of the history of the Hyde Amendment and the sharp break from Hyde policy contained in Obamacare, see NRL congressional testimony here: http://www.nrlc.org/uploads/ahc/ProtectLifeActDouglasJohnsonTestimony.pdf)

The author of so-called "compromise" language that paved the way for enactment of the law, then-Sen. Ben Nelson (D-Nebraska), said in 2009 that "you have to write two checks: one for the basic policy and one for the additional coverage for abortion. The latter has to be entirely from personal funds." [155 Cong. Rec. S14134 (Dec. 24, 2009)]. The Nelson "two check" system, previously given great credence by some journalistic "factcheckers," turns out to be not merely a flimsy gimmick, but a vanished mirage. Although the GAO confirmed that the law requires "issuers to collect from each enrollee in a QHP [Qualified Health Plan] covering non-excepted [elective] abortion services a separate payment for coverage of these services," the Obama Administration is not enforcing such a requirement. Not a single one of the 18 insurance companies that are selling abortion-covering plans, and that responded to the GAO, actually were collecting a separate payment from enrollees for elective abortion coverage.

Despite assurances that there would be plans available in each state that do not fund elective abortions, the GAO found that in five states – Connecticut, Hawaii, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Vermont – every insurance plan currently sold on the exchange covers elective abortion. In addition, abortion-covering plans dominated the exchanges in California (96% cover elective abortion, 86 plans out of 90), Massachusetts (98%, 109 plans of 111), New York (95%, 405 plans of 426), and Oregon (90%, 92 plans of 102).

The House of Representatives has passed the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7), which would apply the traditional Hyde Amendment policy to all federal programs, including the Obamacare premium-subsidy program, and thereby limit federally subsidized plans to coverage of abortion in cases of rape, incest, or threat to the life of the mother. However, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada) has prevented Senate action on identical legislation.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Total Abortions In Maine Decrease AGAIN!

State of Maine Abortion Statistics for 2011

For the 4th straight year total abortions in Maine declined at an amazing pace. From the recent peak total of **2,689** in 2007, abortions in 2011 amounted to **1,773**, a decline of **916** or 34.1% in the 4-year period.

It gets even more encouraging when one looks at the rapid decline among young people, those aged 12-24. Abortions in this group have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. In 2006 abortions in this young group amounted to **1,449**. By 2011 the number had dropped to **880**, a decline of **569** or 39.3%.

The Year-to-Year Numbers 2006-2011*

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
1773	2311	2413	2623	2689	**2672**
-23.30%	-4.20%	-8.00%	-2.45%	0.01%	

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR 12 - 24 YEAR OLDS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
880	1167	1257	1395	1430	**1449**
-24.60%	-7.20%	-9.90%	-2.50%	-1.30%	

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Maine Right to Life Committee Announces Historic Reduction in Abortions

(Auburn, ME) According to the recently released 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low.

The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year.

For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine, according to Maine Right to Life Committee Executive Director, Teresa McCann-Tumidajski.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period.

"This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: abortion is not the answer," states Tumidajski.

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010. *"We want people coming to our beautiful state to **raise** their families here, not reduce them," Tumidajski commented.*

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved.

Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

"There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment, "states Tumidajski.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

"The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious," Tumidajski added.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators. These images are used in Birth Announcements, and even *Show and Tell* for Kindergarteners who anxiously want to share a picture of their new little brother or sister with their classmates. At 8 weeks gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. More and more states are enacting legislation that reflects the changing will of the people that want to restrict abortion on demand.

For nearly 40 years, Maine Right to Life has worked to provide a voice for Maine's most vulnerable via education and advocacy, reaching hundreds of thousands of Maine people. Over the past 16 years, Maine Right to Life's advertising arm, Maine Vitae Society, has broadcast over 100,000 television commercials throughout Maine. Since 2005, Vitae helped educate over 130,000 young people with interactive visits to the pro-life website, Teenbreaks.com. Maine's 25 Pregnancy Support Centers have opened their hearts and doors to women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy and have offered their love and life-affirming services for free, without the aid of millions of taxpayer dollars. Prayer warriors and peaceful grassroots activists have worked together to form a fertile, life-affirming base which offers true compassion for life, and not the hollow promises of "choice." For decades, valiant post-abortive women have testified before legislative committees in Augusta, pleading for mandatory waiting periods and informed consent legislation such as is required with any other medical procedure. Pro-life organizations, legislators, and candidates have worked tirelessly to educate their fellow citizens and legislators that abortion is not the answer. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while 58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal.

"The taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it," Tumidajski adds.

"*Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education.*

But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with regard to STDs like gonorrhea. Maine CDC reports incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past 4 years," Tumidajski notes. There is now an alarming world-wide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Or consider the Bloomberg Report Sept. 3, 2013 reporting abortion clinics closing at a record pace since 2011. At least 58 U.S. abortion clinics (almost 1 in 10) have closed or stopped providing abortions. Over the past 3 years, an average of 19 abortion clinics have shut down, including Dr. Kermitt Gosnell's abortion clinic in

Pennsylvania. Here in Maine, the Alan Guttmacher Institute reports 13 abortion providers in 2008, which is a reduction from the 15 abortion providers the Institute reported in 2000. You may recall the closing of the Family Planning Clinic in South Portland in 2012 due to "lack of numbers" at that site.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers.

But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

"Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time," Tumidajski concludes.

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Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

Ann M. LePage

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

	Name of Legislation	Voted	Score
Rejected	A bill to prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. 08/03/15	Y	√
Rejected	Constitutional amendment to curb free speech about political officeholders and issues 09/11/2014	N	√
Rejected	Murray bill to empower DHHS abortion mandates 07/16/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Preventing abortion funding and protecting religious liberty 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act: Sense of the Senate 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Defunding of the Obama health care law 03/13/2013	Y	√
Rejected	"DISCLOSE ACT" to restrict political Free speech 07/17/12	N	√
Agreed	Preventing Obama Abortion Mandates (Blunt Amendment) 03/01/12	N	√
Rejected	Cut off federal funding for Planned Parenthood 04/14/11	N	X
Rejected	Blocking funding for Obama health care law 04/14/11	Y	√
Rejected	Repeal of Obama health care law 02/02/11	Y	√
Rejected	DISCLOSE ACT (restrictions on free speech about federal politicians) 9/23/10	N	√

√ = Voted For Us X = Voted Against Us

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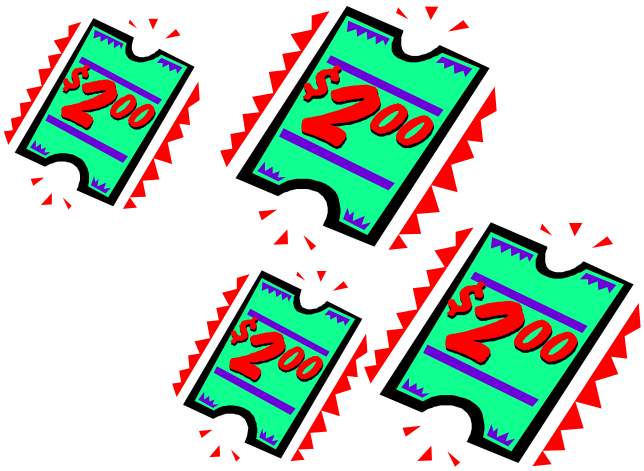

Dear Pro-Life Friend:

As you know Maine Right to Life operates on member donations and fundraising activities such as our Annual Raffle Program and once again, we're asking for **your help!**

Our raffle fundraising program helps us continue our Pro-Life work and this year is no different! **Like many non-profits, we typically experience a considerable lull in donations during the slow summer months - that's why we need your help today!**

This year our raffle program has these fabulous prizes:

1st PRIZE:	**$500.00 Gift Certificate from L.L. Bean!** —Spectacular for Christmas, or any time of year!
2nd PRIZE:	**$250.00 Gift Certificate from Hannaford Supermarkets!** —Perfect for any household!
3rd PRIZE:	**$100.00 Gift Certificate!** —Donated by *Uncle Dean's Good Groceries* in Waterville!

Selling Tips! Some great places to generate fast tickets sales include your annual summer family get-together or 4th of July BBQ. Family and friends could hardly resist your charming smile! Keep your raffle tickets with you, and handy, so you can pop the question when you run into people at Little League games, after Sunday Services, while you browse at the local farmers' market or even at the beach!

We've enclosed a self-addressed, postage-paid envelope for you to return the raffle stubs and ticket proceeds. Be safe! It's best to send a check or money order for the proceeds in the mail. Also, please be sure that the raffle ticket buyers fill in their full name, address & phone number so we can find them when they win!...**Only $2 per Ticket...or...$10 for a book of 6 Tickets!**

SAVE THE DATE! Drawing will be held at this year's
Annual Convention on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015 at Keeley's Banquet Center in Portland!

Thank you! We sincerely appreciate your generous support!

Please contact us if you would like additional Raffle Tickets.

For Life,

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Maine Voices: Maine deserves leader who places right to life over politics … and profits

pressherald.com/2014/09/26/maine-voices-maine-deserves-leaders-who-place-people-over-politics-and-profits/

By Teresa McCann-Tumidajski

AUBURN — China's sex-selective abortion policy of favoring male children is state-sponsored gendercide. Nations across the globe decry this brutal barbarism. Human compassion rebels against such evil as practiced in China. No innocent unborn child should be aborted because of her gender.

Why then, is a so-called women's group spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in Maine to elect candidates like Democrat Mike Michaud, with a voting record supporting abortion on demand for any reason, including gender selection? On May 31, 2012, Michaud voted to oppose a ban on sex-selection abortions.

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Many people are surprised to learn that on June 18, 2013, Michaud also voted in favor of abortions after 5 months.

His record is certainly outside the norm for most people who want restrictions placed on abortion. According to a May Gallup Poll, only 28 percent of Americans polled believe abortion should be legal under any circumstance. Gallup reports that a whopping 71 percent believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances.

More and more women are turning away from abortion. This downward trajectory reflects a profound shift in changing hearts and minds to choosing life. As abortions in Maine and across our nation decline at historic rates, the pro-abortion movement has doubled down.

Its disciples are threatened by any restrictions on abortion whatsoever. Even moderate candidates who support legislation safeguarding women's health are considered "extremists" who are trying "to deny women access to basic health care," as Planned Parenthood has said.

It's not surprising when you consider the radical philosophy of Margaret Sanger, founder of the organizations that became Planned Parenthood. In 1914, Sanger penned a newsletter titled "The Woman Rebel," which offered birth control information and had the slogan "No Gods. No Masters."

Today, the slogan of "choice" is being replaced with "women's health." Planned Parenthood is evolving once again and re-branding itself to reach a broader audience. And we taxpayers are helping.

Last year, taxpayers donated $540.6 million to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. That's almost $1.5 million in tax dollars every day. So much taxpayer money has been donated to Planned Parenthood that last year it was able to bank $58.2 million in profits. There was even enough left to provide the nonprofit's president with a tidy $523,616 salary.

In Maine, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England launched a so-called innovative social education project aimed at teens titled "A Naked Notion." Through YouTube videos, it educates young people about bondage and other X-rated activities that would make a grown man blush. Their 2013 annual report boasts that the video has received over 1 million views.

Cecile Richards, national president of Planned Parenthood, was scheduled to headline a "Women for Mike" Rally

endorsing Michaud and other like-minded “champions for women’s health” on Aug. 27. The event was postponed and has been rescheduled for Oct. 3.

In the meantime, the abortion giant has promised to unleash an unprecedented $500,000 through its Maine Action Fund PAC to elect extreme candidates like Michaud, fellow Democrat Emily Cain and similar ideologues – including those who support taxpayer funding of abortion, as Michaud did by his vote Jan. 28 against a proposal to bar taxpayer funding for abortion in Obamacare plans.

Wouldn’t it be wonderful if Planned Parenthood and its “champions for women’s health” would consider using some of its profits to “pay it forward” for real health services for women, such as installing mammography equipment at all of its facilities? (Planned Parenthood provides referrals but generally doesn’t provide mammograms.)

Or perhaps some of its profits could be used to provide professional, thorough pre- and post-abortion counseling for women and men who are devastated by a “choice” made in haste, with no 24-hour waiting periods in place. Millions of post-abortive women and men are among the walking wounded in the reproductive rights war.

Our women and children (born and unborn) deserve our best and most compassionate care. The so-called “rights” of abortion have wronged the soul of our nation. No amount of money or rhetoric can justify the taking of innocent human life.

Maine deserves leaders who place people over politics. And we certainly deserve leaders who place people – especially our most vulnerable – over profits.

— *Special to the Press Herald*

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The Washington Post

The price of fetal parts

By Charles Krauthammer Opinion writer July 23, 2015

"Thank you, Planned Parenthood. God bless you."— Barack Obama, address to Planned Parenthood, April 26, 2013

*P*lanned Parenthood's reaction to the release of a clandestinely recorded conversation about the sale of fetal body parts was highly revealing. After protesting that it did nothing illegal, it apologized for the "tone" of one of its senior directors.

Her remarks lacked compassion, admitted Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards. As if Dr. Deborah Nucatola's cold and casual discussion over salad and wine of how the fetal body can be crushed with forceps in a way that leaves valuable organs intact for sale is some kind of personal idiosyncrasy. On the contrary, it's precisely the kind of psychic numbing that occurs when dealing daily with industrial scale destruction of the growing, thriving, recognizably human fetus.

This was again demonstrated by the release this week of a second video showing another official sporting that same tone, casual and even jocular, while haggling over the price of an embryonic liver. "If it's still low, then we can bump it up," she joked, "I want a Lamborghini."

Abortion critics have long warned that the problem is not only the obvious — what abortion does to the fetus — but also what it does to us. It's the same kind of desensitization that has occurred in the Netherlands with another mass exercise in life termination: assisted suicide. It began as a way to prevent the suffering of the terminally ill. It has now become so widespread and wanton that one-fifth of all Dutch assisted-suicide patients are euthanized without their explicit consent.

The Planned Parenthood revelations will have an effect. Perhaps not on government funding, given the Democratic Party's unwavering support and the president wishing it divine guidance. Planned Parenthood might escape legal jeopardy as well, given the loophole in the law banning the sale of fetal parts that permits compensation for expenses (shipping and handling, as it were).

But these revelations will have an effect on public perceptions. Just as ultrasound altered feelings about abortion by showing the image, the movement, the vibrant living-ness of the developing infant

in utero, so too, I suspect, will these Planned Parenthood revelations, by throwing open the door to the backroom of the clinic where that being is destroyed.

It's an ugly scene. The issue is less the sale of body parts than how they are obtained. The nightmare for abortion advocates is a spreading consciousness of how exactly a healthy fetus is turned into a mass of marketable organs, how, in the words of a senior Planned Parenthood official, one might use "a less crunchy technique" — crush the head, spare the organs — "to get more whole specimens."

The effect on the public is a two-step change in sensibilities. First, when ultrasound reveals how human the living fetus appears. Next, when people learn, as in these inadvertent admissions, what killing the fetus involves.

Remember. The advent of ultrasound has coincided with a remarkable phenomenon: Of all the major social issues, abortion is the only one that has not moved toward increasing liberalization. While the legalization of drugs, the redefinition of marriage and other assertions of individual autonomy have advanced, some with astonishing rapidity, abortion attitudes have remained largely static. The country remains evenly split.

What will be the reaction to these Planned Parenthood revelations? Right now, to try to deprive it of taxpayer money. Citizens repelled by its activities should not be made complicit in them. But why not shift the focus from the facilitator to the procedure itself?

The House has already passed a bill banning abortion after 20 weeks. That's far more fruitful than trying to ban it entirely because, apart from the obvious constitutional issue, there is no national consensus about the moral status of the early embryo. There's more agreement on the moral status of the later-term fetus. Indeed, about two-thirds of Americans would ban abortion after the first trimester.

There is more division about the first trimester because one's views of the early embryo are largely a matter of belief, often religious belief. One's view of the later-term fetus, however, is more a matter of what might be called sympathetic identification — seeing the image of a recognizable human infant and, now, hearing from the experts exactly what it takes to "terminate" its existence.

The role of democratic politics is to turn such moral sensibilities into law. This is a moment to press relentlessly for a national ban on late-term abortions.

THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

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Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

The Truth about Hobby Lobby's Contraceptive Insurance Coverage

Unlike the media coverage regarding Hobby Lobby so-called *"denying access to birth control, or denying basic reproductive health care services for women,"* the reality is that Hobby Lobby insurance plan includes free co-pay, to the following 16 categories of FDA-approved birth-control:

1. Male condoms
2. Female condoms
3. Diaphragms with spermicide
4. Sponges with spermicide
5. Cervical caps with spermicide
6. Spermicide alone
7. Birth-control pills with estrogen and progestin ("Combined Pill")
8. Birth-control pills with progestin alone ("The Mini Pill")
9. Birth control pills (extended/continuous use)
10. Contraceptive patches
11. Contraceptive rings
12. Progestin injections
13. Implantable rods
14. Vasectomies
15. Female sterilization surgeries
16. Female sterilization implants

What Hobby Lobby will *not* cover are four contraceptive methods that its owners believe are abortifacients:

a. Plan B ("The Morning After Pill")
b. Ella (a similar type of "emergency contraception")
c. Copper Intra-Uterine Device
d. IUD with progestin

Rather than simply prevent sperm and ova from uniting, Hobby Lobby's owners believe that these medications either kill human beings when they are fertilized eggs or prevent them from implanting themselves in utero, whereupon they die. In other words, Hobby Lobby objects to paying for abortifacients. Its employees are allowed to purchase these abortifacients themselves if they so desire, and they will not be fired/terminated/or discriminated against if they do so. What ever happened to "choice" or "tolerance" or "respect" for religious beliefs? And what ever happened to reality in reporting the news facts? The so-called *War on Women* is more aptly *The War on Reality.* Spread the word. Don't be intimidated by a false narrative that's being perpetuated by the main stream media.

Unprecedented Reduction in Abortion Statewide

Induced Abortions by County of Residence
2000-2011* Maine Data

County of Residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*
Androscoggin	177	162	158	190	176	185	224	229	201	195	180	131
Aroostook	60	70	30	41	44	41	44	54	55	44	58	43
Cumberland	761	776	778	787	812	845	814	852	793	712	680	433
Franklin	63	50	59	53	54	63	62	51	50	41	49	36
Hancock	94	67	48	77	90	91	95	104	103	85	93	68
Kennebec	229	206	200	232	243	224	256	251	233	203	193	161
Knox	86	72	74	92	87	89	75	60	71	69	83	55
Lincoln	49	52	47	68	54	62	56	54	64	50	55	30
Oxford	84	98	85	103	82	97	101	79	102	71	81	65
Penobscot	269	246	187	242	213	203	248	272	250	289	223	216
Piscataquis	16	23	12	22	20	15	20	18	22	17	17	9
Sagadahoc	63	73	78	78	75	70	72	61	71	61	48	38
Somerset	88	93	87	86	76	76	70	88	68	70	64	72
Waldo	55	65	45	68	75	63	64	58	72	77	70	49
Washington	38	35	31	22	28	33	47	31	36	36	31	27
York	313	353	312	312	355	357	336	349	350	315	304	209
Unknown	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2
Out of State	85	74	83	77	109	139	85	75	63	78	82	129
Total	2,536	2,515	2,315	2,550	2,593	2,653	2,669	2686	2,604	2,413	2,311	1,773

Notes:
* 2011 Preliminary Data

Source of Data:
Maine Vital Records Data files

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2010 – 2011 Abortion % +/-	
Androscoggin	- 27%
Aroostook	- 26%
Cumberland	- 36%
Franklin	- 26.5%
Hancock	- 27%
Kennebec	- 16.5%
Knox	- 34%
Lincoln	- 45%
Oxford	- 20%
Penobscot	- 3%
Piscataquis	- 47%
Sagadahoc	- 20.8%
Somerset	+ 12.5%
Waldo	- 30%
Washington	- 13%
York	- 31%
Out of State	+ 57%

Note:

- Between 2010-2011, residents in 15 out of 16 counties reduced the number of abortions.
- Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (- 31%), which are Maine's most populated counties.
- Out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010.

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Another View: Parental OK key to well-being of teens seeking abortion

Vulnerable pregnant minors need family members by their side in order to make an informed decision.

BY **TERESA MCCANN-TUMIDAJSKI**
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MAY 31, 2015--

Peter Hastings' and Jerry Conley's May 22 op-ed extolling Maine's current parental consent law for minors seeking abortion was well crafted. It didn't mention, however, that no parental involvement is required, it's merely suggested. Can you imagine the Legislature enacting a law that merely suggests a speed limit?

Many are surprised to learn current law allows a 15-year-old Portland High student to walk into Planned Parenthood and get an abortion, without her parents' knowledge, notification or consent – enabling those who profit from abortion to bypass a parent's involvement and authority. According to Planned Parenthood's annual report, 94 percent of their prenatal services are abortion.

A naïve, pregnant minor doesn't stand much of a chance of making an informed decision without her parents by her side.

Maine's amended consent bill ensures that parents maintain their rightful authority. It puts abortion in line with every other medical procedure that requires parental consent.

The proposed bill includes the safeguard of a judicial bypass that could be used if parents were suspected of abuse or neglect. Hastings and Conley indicate the bypass is "burdensome on minors," citing a 1987 review of Minnesota's parental consent law.

They may not be aware of a 1986 University of Minnesota study that found teenagers who have had an abortion in the past six months are six times more likely to attempt suicide than teens who haven't had an abortion.

We've learned a lot in the 25 years since Maine's consent law was enacted. Public opinion has shifted. Abortions are on the decline. According to a July 2011 Gallup poll, 71 percent of women now favor parental consent, as do most Democrats, Republicans and independents.

No one is more vulnerable than a pregnant teenager and her precious unborn child. Maine's new amended bill keeps this permanent, life-altering decision between parents and children – not between minors and abortion providers.

THE PRESIDENTIAL RECORD ON LIFE

President Barack Obama 2009-present

On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Media Statement

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(Auburn, ME) As Planned Parenthood of Northern New England celebrates 50 years in operation, we mourn the loss of our innocent, unborn children who have been aborted by Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. To those who respect the most vulnerable in our society, today is a memoriam, not a gala celebration. 94% of Planned Parenthood's prenatal services are abortion. Although Planned Parenthood reports abortion is only a small percentage of their services, abortion represents almost ½ of their clinic income. We don't consider abortion to be prenatal health care. We support non-violent options for an unplanned pregnancy.

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End note:
http://www.sba-list.org/newsroom/press-releases/planned-parenthood-annual-report-fresh-evidence-abortion-centered-profit-dri

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. ~~~Margaret Mead

Life Lines

Maine Right to Life Committee

Winter 2015

Interview with U.S. Congressman Bruce Poliquin

Maine Right to Life Executive Director Teresa McCann-Tumidajski conducted an interview with Congressman Bruce Poliquin (below). Bruce Poliquin has already cast an important vote FOR LIFE (Jan. 22, 2015).
God bless Congressman Bruce Poliquin!

Tumidajski: You have clearly stated that you are "*proudly pro-life*." Who or what has most influenced your respect life position?

Poliquin: My wonderful wife and her father tragically died when our son was still in diapers. I raised Sam mostly as a single dad since that dark day. That painful experience made it very clear to me how fragile and precious life is. I was also raised in a traditional Franco-American Catholic family where every life is valued.

Tumidajski: Some candidates have purported to be pro-life *prior* to an election. After the election, they have voted against pro-life legislation, in favor of abortion rights. How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: For me, the Life issue is personal, not political. I'm proud of my consistent record of voting what I have publicly stated is right. Last week, my first Life vote in Congress was not to allow federal tax dollars to fund abortions. I don't believe requiring taxpayers to pay for abortions reflects the values of our 2nd District families. Additionally, doing so would violate the moral conscious and religious beliefs of many taxpayers.

Tumidajski: Maine is the grayest state in the nation, with a median age of 42.7 years. What will you do to ensure that the health care benefits of Maine seniors are not reduced by rationing in the Affordable Care Act?

Poliquin: I'm very concerned about the health care security of our seniors. Last week in Bangor, I met with a group of seniors to listen to their stories about the importance of protecting their Medicare benefits, including through the Medicare Advantage program. It was wrong for Washington to cut $716 billion from Medicare to help fund Obamacare for younger Americans. I've already started to work with Republicans and Democrats in Congress to fix the parts of Obamacare that are raising the costs and threatening the health care benefits for seniors. Our parents and grandparents have paid into the Medicare program for many years. They have earned and deserve to receive those health care benefits. At every turn, I will stand up to protect those critically important health care services for our seniors.

Tumidajski: The national Quinnipiac University Poll conducted November 2014 found that 60% support a law such as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act prohibiting abortion after 20 weeks---only 33% opposed such legislation. This recent national poll found women voters favor this legislation by a whopping 59-35%. Independent voters support this legislation by 56-36%. How will you vote on H.R. 36, The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, when it is brought to the House floor for a vote?

Poliquin: Science has confirmed that defenseless unborn children feel pain after twenty weeks of pregnancy. I don't think it's right to end the lives of these developed children, nor do I believe doing so reflects the values of our 2nd District families. After, of course, carefully examining the language, I expect to vote my conscience and morals to support such legislation.

Tumidajski: The Gallup Poll consistently indicates a majority of Americans want restriction on abortion. In fact, the May 2014 Poll indicates 71% believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances. Pro-choice extremists refer to *any* restriction on abortion (including late term abortions) as a so-called *"war on women."* How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: I believe that Life should be valued and protected in our civil and humane society. I avoid getting wrapped up in political slogans like "war on women."

Tumidajski: For Maine Right to Life Committee members, being pro-life is not just being "*against* abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia, etc." Rather, being pro-life is an ongoing, **pro-active** response in which we live the Culture of Life. We believe true compassion means caring for both mother and her unborn child. How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: Every life is precious.

Tumidajski: Abortion in Maine and across the nation is on the decline. Why do you think the pro-life message is resounding so strongly?

Poliquin: I think people from all different points of view sharing their personal stories is shaping public opinion regarding Life. Medical technology giving parents the chance to view their new unborn daughters and sons is also impacting the Life issue.

Tumidajski: As a Congressman, what will you do to ensure that our tax dollars do not fund abortion?

Poliquin: Last week, I voted not to allow federal tax dollars to be used to pay for abortions.

Tumidajski: Who is the pro-life person you most admire?

Poliquin: My Franco-American Catholic Mom and Dad.

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SPOTLIGHT— Meet the Republican Caucus
Pro-Life Leadership!

Sen. Michael Thibodeau,
R-Sen.Dist.11,
President of the ME Senate

Sen. Garrett Mason,
R– Sen. Dist.22,
Majority Leader

Sen. Andre Cushing,
R-Sen.Dist.10,
Assistant Majority Leader

Rep. Kenneth Fredette,
R-Newport,
Minority Leader

Rep. Ellie Espling,
R-New Gloucester,
Assistant Minority Leader

The 127th Legislature

The 127th Legislature is blessed with outstanding PRO-LIFE leaders! Please contact them to show them your appreciation and support for their public service for ALL including our unborn. Go to http://legislature.maine.gov/house/townlist.htm#A for a list of Maine legislators.

ALERT: LD 83, *An Act to Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors,*
Sponsored by Sen. Paul Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis) will be brought before the Judiciary Committee SOON!
Contact your legislators to support this important bill!

Barbara Ford
Receives 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd's Godparent Home and founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor, has been awarded the 2014 prestigious Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award. The announcement was made at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention October 18 in Portland. A packed banquet hall responded to the news with a standing ovation! Several members of the Ford family were present for the Award Ceremony including husband of 26 years, Ed Ford; and children: Adam, Alexandra, and Joel.

Barbara Ford is a tireless leader for unborn babies and their mothers. She doesn't just say "No" to abortion, she says "YES" to life. She provides young women facing crisis pregnancy with a loving and safe residence at the Shepherd's Godparent Home for the duration of their pregnancies. Barbara Ford also founded Nikki's Hope in Bangor which is a transition apartment for young mothers to take a year to mature with their babies.

"Barbara Ford shows love, compassion, and respect for young women facing crisis pregnancies by putting her faith in action year after year" said Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life Committee.

Since 1990 Barbara has been a foster parent to over 100 children. She leads by example beginning at home. Barbara Ford is the mother to 6 adopted children and 1 biological child. She believes and supports life at all stages….from being a foster parent…a mother…to being a legal guardian to 2 mentally disabled adults. She is also the Board President of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine. **Congratulations, Barbarra!**

George Michael Lane
Keynote Speaker
Author: *A Different Kind of Perfect*
Amy Lane Stole our Hearts at MRLC Annual Convention!

At MRLC's annual convention this past fall, nationally-acclaimed author, George Michael Lane, shared with us his first-hand story about parents choosing a child with Down syndrome, and the initial struggle of that choice. He spoke of faith and blessings in an imperfect world that craves and idealizes perfection. **George Michael Lane also shared the story about finding God's perfection through love. There wasn't a dry eye in the convention center.** Those fortunate enough to hear George Michael Lane's story of life and love were refreshed and renewed in celebrating the beauty and unique blessing of each and every human life. *The special blessings that come with special children is a unique gift*. George, Thea, and Amy Lane are honorary, lifetime members of our Maine Right to Life family. We love you with all our hearts!!!

Welcome, Trish Morin!

Maine Right to Life Committee is pleased to welcome Trish Morin as our new lobbyist. Trish began working in Augusta this session as a respect life advocate. She is a graduate of Simmons College with experience in television production. For over a decade, she has been a faith leader at St. Bartholomew's Parish. She and her husband, Scott A. Morin, were raised in Lewiston. They live in Cape Elizabeth and are proud parents of two sons. Trish has a number of hobbies and interests including skiing, boating, traveling and volunteering. We are blessed to have her join us on our Board of Directors, as well as serving as our respect life lobbyist in Augusta!

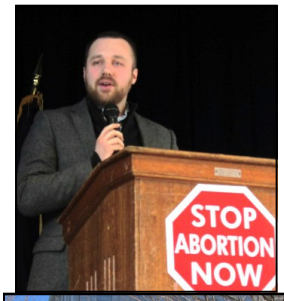
Hands Around the Capitol---

Governor Paul LePage and Congressman Bruce Poliquin Receive Standing O's from Pro-Life Maine!

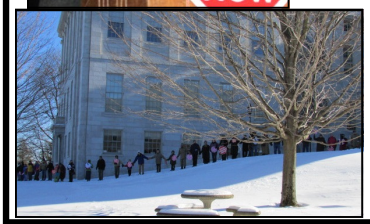
Over 400 dedicated pro-lifers from across Maine filled St. Michael's Gym in Augusta on the bitterly cold morning of January 17 for Maine Right to Life's annual *Hands Around the Capitol* Rally and March commemorating the 42nd memorial of the passage of Roe v. Wade. A Prayer Service and Mass were celebrated prior to the Rally. As pro-lifers entered St. Michael's Gym, many were delighted to see Maine's Governor, Paul LePage, U.S. Congressman Bruce Poliquin, and Maine's Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason mingling shoulder to shoulder in the audience prior to their presentations on the stage. Senator Jim Hamper (R- Oxford), Representative Stacey Guerin (R- Glenburn), Representative Jeff Hanley (R- Pittston), Senator Eric Brakey (R-Auburn) were also mingling with the crowd, as well as former legislators including Representative Stavros Mendros (R- Lewiston) and Representative Steve Hanley (D- Gardiner).

Pro-life Governor LePage received a chorus of standing ovations from pro-life Maine when it was announced that he received more votes than any other Governor in Maine's history. Indeed, Governor LePage's re-election was a sweeping landslide and quite a slap down to those pollsters and pundits who predicted his defeat. Monsignor Andrew Dubois, Moderator of the Curia from the Diocese of Portland, presided at the Mass preceding the Rally, and gave grace-filled remarks and greetings from Bishop Deeley who attended the March for Life in D.C. Congressman Bruce Poliquin brought many to tears when he shared the story of his young wife's tragic death, and his ongoing commitment to cherish life. MRLC presented Congressman Poliquin with a framed inscription inspired by Congressman Henry Hyde, author of the life-saving Hyde Amendment. Pro-Life Maine Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason urged the audience to schedule time to meet with their legislator *face to face* and share their pro-life beliefs with them. Many were surprised to learn that Senator Mason is the youngest Senator in Maine's history. (He was only 25 years old when he was first elected to the Senate four years ago.) Pro-life icon, Carl Maddaleni shared a preview of Maine Vitae Society's excellent upcoming television commercials and impressive results from the pro-life website TeenBreaks.com. International Christian leader Pastor Bob Emrich pronounced the Invocation and encouraged those attending the rally to be active with upcoming pro-life legislation.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski provided an overview of the program and informed the audience that **abortions in the past 6 years in Maine have declined by a whopping 28%. 750 unborn children have been saved from the horror of abortion in Maine from 2007-2013.**



2014 Pro-Life University graduates Jared and Jamie McCabe from Farmington provided an inspiring Pro-Life Chalk Talk in which they spoke of the legacy of their dearly deceased Grandma who led by example in her life ministry of protecting the unborn and women from abortion. A video the Chalk Talk is available on Maine Right to Life website:www.MaineRightToLife.com



Hundreds of people, from all parts of Maine, of all ages, marched in solemn solidarity from Saint Michael's gym to the State House. We formed a human chain around the Capitol. As Monsignor Dubois rang the bell 42 times, we bowed our heads out of respect of the 57 million lives taken by legalized abortion since 1973. With each tone of the bell, Linda Milliken from MRLC Board of Directors, placed a perfect red rose at the base of the Capitol Bell. May God have mercy on our nation. *Rest in Peace, Precious Little Ones.*

Hundreds gather in Augusta to commemorate the fateful passage of Roe v Wade.

What's Your Pro-Life IQ?

1. True or False: Abortion accounts for 78% of Planned Parenthood's "services" to pregnant women.
2. Name 4 of the 7 nations in the world that allow elective abortions throughout all nine months of pregnancy.
3. What is the Hyde Amendment?
4. What is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement?
5. Name 3 of the 6 Patricia DeGrinney Life Award winners.
6. True or False: Most abortions are committed by women aged 20-24.
7. Who is Dr. Leroy Carhart?

Answers on Page 4...
No cheating!

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Important DATE!

2015

Respect Life Day, Hall of Flags, Augusta— February 26th

40 Days for Life—February 18h—March 29th, 2015

Mother's Day Carnation Project—
Flower Deliveries May 7th
Mother's Day May 10th

Celebrate *Life!* Walks statewide—July 11th

Pro-Life University—August 8th and 22nd

MRLC Annual Convention—October 17th

Pray for the pro-life conversion of President Obama.

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Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Maine Right to Life is sponsoring the 2nd Annual "Respect Life Day" at the Capitol on **February 26, 2015 from 9AM-1PM** at the Hall of Flags, Augusta. This is not a rally, march or protest. This is an educational venue for legislators and those visiting the Capitol that day. Please join us and other respect life organizations from across Maine!

FMI, contact Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com

ANSWERS: "What's your Pro-Life IQ?"

1. False. In 2013, abortions made up 94 % of Planned Parenthood's pregnancy services, while prenatal care and adoption referrals accounted for only 5% and 0.5% respectively. For every one adoption referral, Planned Parenthood committed 174 abortions.
2. Of the 196 nations in the world, only seven countries allow for barbaric practice of elective abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy: The U.S.A, China, Canada, North Korea, Singapore, Vietnam, and the Netherlands.
3. The Hyde Amendment is a legislative provision passed by the U.S. Congress in 1976 which prohibits federal funding of abortion except in cases of rape, incest, or endangerment to the life of the mother. Henry Hyde was a pro-life Congressman from Illinois whose pro-active leadership is responsible for saving the lives of hundreds of thousands of unborn children.
4. Prayer is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement.
5. Patricia Truman, Margaret Yates, Judy Cushing, Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll, Carl Maddaleni, Barbara Ford.
6. True. Women aged 20-24 obtain 33% of all abortions; women aged 25-29 account for 24% of all abortions. Most abortions are committed by women in their 20's.
7. Dr. Leroy Carhart is an infamous late term abortionist from Nebraska with a long-standing horrific history of performing abortions on viable children up until the day of their due date.
   FMI: http://liveaction.org/inhuman/leroy-carhart-the-facts/

Your Score:
6-7 Correct Answers: Pro-Life Patron
3-5 Correct: Pro-Life Friend
1-2 Correct: Visit our pro-life resource library.

40 Days for Life Campaign
Feb. 18-March 29, 2015
Vigil Hours: 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
In front of Family Planning of Maine
43 Gabriel Drive, Augusta, ME

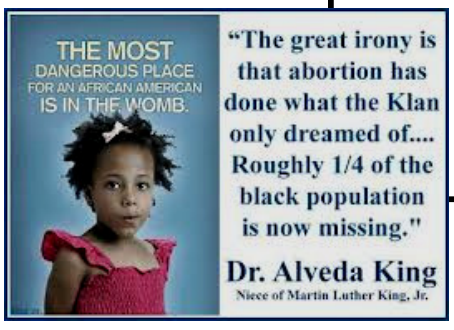
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Help End Abortion in Maine!

Please participate in Maine's 40 Days for Life Campaign this Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18. This is a powerful prayer-based program committed to preserving innocent human life. The Kickoff is Feb. 15. Contact Judy Icenogle, 207-872-6558 or at ricejuice@gwi.net to register for this campaign or go to 40daysforlife.com/augusta-maine for more info.

"Life is a civil right... Abortion is a civil wrong."

Alveda King



Portland Press Herald

M.D. Harmon: Unbelievable as it sounds, body parts from abortions change hands

So why is Planned Parenthood getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

BY **M.D. HARMON**

Back in 2009, I wrote a column about the commercialization of body parts "harvested" from aborted babies, but my editor at the time spiked it.

My source was Lifesitenews.com, a website run by pro-life activists, who called Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, "the Amazon of the fetal parts industry."

But my editor told me that was an unreliable source. Apparently, the idea that abortionists would market the heads, torsos, hearts, lungs, livers and other portions of the unborn was an inherently unbelievable idea.

I don't blame my editor for thinking that. I also had difficulty believing such an inhumane atrocity could occur, but the account was well-sourced, and I thought it deserved attention.

To my surprise, however, within a week ABC News actually aired a report substantially affirming Lifesite's account. My boss conceded that if I cited the ABC report, I could publish the column, and I did.

But then the story lay fallow – until a video was released last week showing a top-level Planned Parenthood official discussing ways to "crush" a baby in the womb so as to preserve the valuable parts.

On the video, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, senior director of medical services for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, sips from a glass of wine while telling undercover pro-life activists posing as "customers" from the "Center for Medical Progress" that:

"… You're just kind of cognizant of where you put your graspers, you try to intentionally go above and below the thorax, so that, you know, we've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that, so I'm not gonna crush that part, I'm going to basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact."

This, although federal law says recipients of fetal tissue may have "no part in any decisions as to the timing, method, or procedures used to terminate the pregnancy made solely for the purposes of research."

But media disbelief hasn't vanished. Otherwise, why would the three major networks and CNN fail to mention the video on their Sunday panel shows? (Yes, Fox News covered it. How biased of them.)

Congressional Republicans have vowed an investigation (apparently Democrats there approve of "targeted crushing").

One beneficiary of Planned Parenthood's baby parts largesse is Stem Express, which advertises a price of $24,250 for a vial of 5 million "cryopreserved" fetal liver cells. And in a brochure, it offers clinical researchers "a financial benefit to your clinic" that will insure "fiscal growth."

If this discussion proves nothing else, at least it shows the claim that the unborn are "just masses of tissue" is false. Tissue masses don't have hearts and livers and brains and lungs. Babies do.

Planned Parenthood, which made $1.3 billion last year and got nearly half that amount, $528 million, in state and federal grants (your tax dollars at work), aborted 327,653 babies last year. Still, as its director, Cecile Richards, noted last week, the "transfer" of baby body parts for research remains legal, if patients consent.

However, reimbursements for the "costs" of such transfers apparently remain highly negotiable. Abby Johnson, who ran a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas and wrote a book about it, "Unplanned," told The Washington Times this week that those payments have no legal upper limit and negotiating them is a "subjective" process.

On Tuesday, the activists released a second video (more are said to be on the way), this one showing Dr. Mary Gatter, a medical director at Planned Parenthood centers in California, conducting one of these "subjective" negotiations.

Gatter said she didn't want to "lowball" the price and said she would have to check to see what other centers were charging.

She added that she "wouldn't object" to asking abortionists to use a "less crunchy" vacuum method to help keep organs intact.

However, she noted that could potentially violate the federal agreements that patients and providers must sign, verifying the intent to donate the aborted remains and certifying that abortions yielding research parts are absolutely identical to ones that don't.

But Gatter said, "I think that's a specious little argument," and added, "I don't think our patients would care one iota, so, yeah, I'm not making a fuss about that."

Gatter then told investigators, who offered a $100-per-sample price, "Let me just figure out what others are getting, and if this is in the ballpark, then it's fine, if it's still low, then we can bump it up. I want a Lamborghini."

Then she giggled. Some joke.

In response, Planned Parenthood resorted to a "kill-the-messenger" strategy, trying to spin the videos as "edited and out of context." But the full versions are online, and no one has offered any context to make them less atrocious.

So why is this (multiple adjectives deleted) organization getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

Maine is Choosing Life!

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Abortions-Maine residents	2611	2541	2330	2226	1644
Pregnancies-Maine residents	16787	16208	15843	15236	14404
ME Population, Female age 15-44	253292	250005	245825	241923	239185
U.S. Abortion Ratio	*22.9*	*23.2*	*22.7*		
ME Abortion Ratio/pregnancies, %	15.6	15.7	14.7	14.6	11.4
U.S. Abortion Rate	*15.8*	*15.9*	*15.1*		
ME Abortion Rate /1000 pop	10.3	10.2	9.5	9.2	6.9

- Between 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6% while those choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.
- From 2007- 2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%.
- The overall rate of women age 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3 in 2007 to 6.9 in 2011.

Abortion Rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.
Abortion Ratio is the number of abortions per live births.

The total number of pregnancies is the number of live births, the number of fetal demise, and the number of induced abortion for Maine residents. Abortions that are performed in Maine to non-residents are not included in the calculation.
Information Provided by Maine CDC and U.S. CDC.

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2014 PRO-LIFE VOTER GUIDE

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Gubernatorial and U.S. Congressional Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR				
	I	Eliot Cutler	Cape Elizabeth	Pro-Abortion
	R	Paul LePage	Augusta	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
	D	Michael Michaud	East Millinocket	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES SENATE				
	D	Shenna Bellows	Manchester	Pro-Abortion. Endorsed by Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
	R	Susan Collins	Bangor	Mixed voting record
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES CONGRESS				
1	R	Isaac Misiuk	Gorham	Pro-Life
1	I	Richard Murphy	Sanford	Pro-Life. *"I don't agree with the Roe v. Wade decision." (MPBN 1st Congressional District Debate)*
1	D	Chellie Pingree	North Haven	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC
2	D	Emily Cain	Orono	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
2	R	Bruce Poliquin	Oakland	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
2	I	Blaine Richardson	Belfast	Pro-Life

Questions for State Legislative Candidates

ABORTION

1. Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe that abortion should be legal?
   A. If a woman chooses abortion, for any reason, throughout pregnancy.
   B. If the abortion is performed in the first trimester of pregnancy.
   C. If the baby was conceived through rape or incest.
   D. If the baby has a handicap or defect.
   E. If a woman wants to insure the specific gender of the fetus.
   F. I am opposed to abortion, except to save the LIFE of the mother.
2. Would you support legislation requiring that a woman considering abortion be...
   A. Fully informed of the risks & alternatives prior to the procedure including a 24-hour waiting period and information on fetal development?
   B. Be offered (not required) to view a Fetal Monitor/live Ultrasound prior to an abortion?
3. Would you oppose legislation in which Title X taxpayer dollars are used to fund Planned Parenthood?
4. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification prior to dispensing contraceptives/birth control Rx's to minors through the school system?
5. Would you support a ban on the use of baby body parts (fetal tissue) taken from the victims of abortions for experimentation or scientific research?
6. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification for minor-aged children seeking an abortion?
7. Would you support legislation requiring abortion facilities to have the same level of medical oversight and regulations as is required for other Maine ambulatory surgical facilities? If NO, why not?
8. Would you support Wrongful Death legislation for a parent whose unborn, viable fetus was killed as the result of negligence by another?

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9. Would you vote to oppose legislation similar to Oregon/Washington/Vermont policy that would impose rationing that intentionally denies treatment on the basis of disability, degree of medical necessity, or quality of life of those denied treatment?
10. Do you oppose legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide?

D--Democrat
R--Republican
I--Independent
IL--Independent of Liberty
IM--Independent of Maine
GI--Green Independent
NP--Non Party
NI--Non-Party Independent
UI--Undeclared (Independent)
U--Unenrolled
-- not answered/left blank
* explanation in comment section

CANDIDATES FOR MAINE STATE SENATE

District	Party	Candidate Name	City/Town	Any Reason 1A	First Trimester 1B	Rape/Incest 1C	Handicapped 1D	Gender 1E	Never Legal Except to Save Mother's Life 1F	Fully Informed 2A	Ultrasound 2B	Title X Taxpayer $ 3	Minors/Birth Control 4	Ban Baby Parts 5	Parental Consent 6	Medical Oversight 7	Wrongful Death for viable fetus 8	Oppose Med Ration 9	Oppose PAS 10	Comments
MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
1	R	Peter Edgecomb	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*Undecided.* **Pro-life voting record.**
1	D	Charles Kenneth Theriault	Madawaska	N	N	N	N	N	Y*	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"I am opposed to abortion except to save the life of the mother."
2	D	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
2	R	Michael J. Willette	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
3	D	Craig J. Heavey	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	R	Rodney L. Whittemore	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	R	Paul T. Davis, Sr.	Sangerville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	D	David F. Ziemer	Orneville Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	D	James F. Dill	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	R	Wanda L. Lincoln	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

District	Party	Candidate Name	City/Town	Any Reason	First Trimester	Rape/Incest	Handicapped	Gender	Never Legal Except to Save Mother's Life	Fully Informed	Ultrasound	Title X Taxpayer $	Minors/Birth Control	Ban Baby Parts	Parental Consent	Medical Oversight	Wrongful Death for viable fetus	Oppose Med Ration	Oppose PAS	Comments
				1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1F	2A	2B	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
6	R	David C. Burns	Whiting	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I believe that #1F is an excuse for aborting a baby when other measures are available.*"
6	D	Anne C. Perry	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
7	D	Theodore S. Koffman	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
7	R	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
8	D	Paul P. Davis	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
8	R	Edward M. Youngblood	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
9	D	Geoffrey M. Gratwick	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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10	R	Andre E. Cushing, III	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
10	D	Jaric T. Fontaine	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
11	D	Jonathan S. Fulford	Monroe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
11	R	Michael D. Thibodeau	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
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14	D	David W. Bustin	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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15	D	Anna D. Blodgett	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey
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17	D	Joanne F.Dunlap	Rangeley Plantation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
17	R	Thomas B.Saviello	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	R	L. Gary Knight	Livermore Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	D	John L. Patrick	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	James M. Hamper	Oxford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
19	D	Rose K. Rogers-Wells	Brownfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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21	D	Nathan L. Libby	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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27	D	Justin L. Alfond	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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27	G	Asher D. Platts	Portland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	N	—	N	*"That would reduce availability to hospitals and shut down abortion clinics." "I support abortion on demand, without appology." "END THE WAR ON WOMEN."*
28	D	Anne M. Haskell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
28	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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29	R	John F. Ridge	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	R	Amy F. Volk	Scarborough	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
31	R	Michael E. Coleman	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Linda M. Valentino	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
32	R	James W. Booth	Arundel	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a real Catholic."* Pro-life voting record
32	D	David E Dutremble	Biddeford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
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34	F	Richard J. Burns	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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28	D	Dwight H. Ely	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
28	R	Heather W. Sirocki	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
29	D	Paul Aranson	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
29	R	Karen Vachon	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
30	D	Kimberly Monaghan-Derrig	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
30	R	Pauline S. Wilcox	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Terry K. Morrison	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
32	D	Scott M. Hamann	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
33	D	Rosemarie De Angelis	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
33	G	Andrew F. Reddy	South Portland	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	—	—	N	
33	R	Kevin J. Battle	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
34	D	Drew M. Gattine	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
34	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
35	D	Dillon Bates	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
35	R	Emily Sarah Downing	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
36	D	Denise Patricia Harlow	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
36	G	Samuel K. Chandler	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
36	R	Richard A. Dodge	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
37	D	Richard R. Farnsworth	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
37	R	Jonathan Pfaff	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
38	D	Matthew W. Moonen	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
38	R	Thomas Joseph Loring	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
39	D	Diane M. Russell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
39	G	Lauren Marie Besanko	Portland	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	?	N	N	N	*"Physician Assisted Suicide would be highly regulated and only with informed consent." "I' support abortion except when the fetus is old enough to live outside the womb…approx. 24 weeks."*
40	D	Herbert C. Adams	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
40	I	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
40	R	Mark A. Lockman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record**. Did not return survey
41	D	Erik C. Jorgensen	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
41	R	James H. Azzola	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
42	D	Peter C. Stuckey	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey

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43	D	Mark N. Dion	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
43	R	Shannon Rafferty-Roy	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
44	D	Teresa S. Pierce	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
44	R	Gregory S. Payeur	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
45	D	Dale Denno	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
45	R	Michael J. Timmons	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
46	D	Anne P. Graham	North Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
46	R	Paul Chace	Durham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
47	D	Janice E. Cooper	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
47	R	Richard Vinton Snow	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
48	D	Sara Gideon	Freeport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
48	R	Paul Benjamin Schulz	Pownal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
49	D	Matthea E. L. Daughtry	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
49	R	Michael R. Stevens	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
50	D	Ralph L. Tucker	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
50	R	Mark Holbrook	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
51	D	Joyce McCreight	Harpswell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
51	R	Byron D. Watson	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
52	D	Jennifer L. DeChant	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
52	R	Ryan Matthew Daniels	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
53	D	Peter S. Kent	Woolwich	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
53	R	Jeffrey K. Pierce	Dresden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	D	Denise A. Tepler	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	G	Daniel Longley Stromgren	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
54	R	Kim J. Talbot	Topsham	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
55	D	Alice D. Elliott	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
55	R	Brian D. Hobart	Bowdoinham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
56	R	Dale J. Crafts	Lisbon	N	N	N	N	N	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would need more info before I could decide." **Pro-life voting record**
57	D	Katherine E. Ver Sluis	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
57	R	Stephen J. Wood	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
58	D	Michel A. Lajoie	Lewiston	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pro-abort voting record

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58	R	Luke D. Jensen	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	D	Margaret R. Rotundo	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	R	James W. Sorcek	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	D	Jared F. Golden	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	R	Leslie T. Dubois	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	D	Heidi E. Brooks	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	R	Brian Wood	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	U	Mark A. Cayer	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	D	Gina M. Melaragno	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	R	Brandon Eli Dickey	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	U	John M. Michael	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
63	D	R. Wayne Werts	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
63	R	Bruce A. Bickford	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Mixed voting record
64	D	Bettyann Watson Sheats	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
64	R	David P. Sawicki	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I believe life begins at conception. We are called to protect life at all stages."*
65	D	Rosa Van Wie	New Gloucester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
65	R	Eleanor M. Espling	New Gloucester	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "In cases of rape, incest and life of the mother, I would hope a woman would choose to keep her baby but I hesitate to outlaw abortion in all those cases. Each situation is different."
66	D	Mary-Vienessa Fernandes	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	G	Lisa H. Willey	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	R	Michael D. McClellan	Raymond	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I support Maine Right to Life 100%*."
67	D	Bonnie Titcomb Lewis	Raymond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
67	R	Susan M. Austin	Gray	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"*Except in the case of rape and incest."*
68	D	Christine B. Powers	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
68	R	John M. Nostin	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
69	D	Lisa Renee Villa	Harrison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
69	R	Phyllis A. Ginzler	Bridgton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
70	D	Helen Rankin	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
70	R	Nathan J. Wadsworth	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	D	Dennise Dullea Whitley	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	R	Tom J. Winsor	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
72	D	James F. Bradley	Mechanic Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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72	R	Kathleen RJ Dillingham	Oxford																	Candidate responded in narrative manner. Contact Maine Right to Life for full answers.
73	D	Robert Kirchherr	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
73	R	Lloyd C. Herrick	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
74	D	Paul E. Gilbert	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
74	R	C. Harvey Calden	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	D	Charles F. Dingman	Leeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	R	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
75	U	Gerard R. Tardif	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	D	Richard H. C. Tracy	Rome	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	R	Gary L. Hilliard	Belgrade	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
77	D	Alan B. Tibbetts	Sidney	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
77	R	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
78	D	Catherine M. Nadeau	Winslow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
78	R	Susan Ellen Morissette	Winslow	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
79	D	Cristina L. Evers	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
79	R	Timothy S. Theriault	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
80	D	Lori A. Fowle	Vassalboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
80	R	Ray L. Bates	Windsor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
81	D	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
81	R	Lee T. Fellman	Readfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	D	Rachel L. Sukeforth	Litchfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	R	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I consider myself to be pro-life except in **extreme** cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the mother's life."
83	D	Gay M. Grant	Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
83	R	Curtis C. Ayotte	Farmingdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	D	Charlotte May Warren	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	R	Darrick X. Banda	Manchester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	D	Donna R. Doore	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	R	Kimberly Jeanne Davis	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	D	Monica L. Castellanos	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	R	Matthew G. Pouliot	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
87	D	Timothy I. Marks	Pittston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey

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87	R	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a Catholic."*
88	R	Deborah J. Sanderson	Chelsea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
89	R	Stephanie Hawke	Boothbay Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
89	U	Willliam H. Coombs	Edgecomb	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
90	D	Michael G. Devin	Newcastle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
90	R	Anna Morkeski	Damariscotta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
91	R	Ellen A. Winchenbach	Waldoboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
91	U	Jeffrey Evangelos	Friendship	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	D	Chuck Kruger	Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	R	Sonja Sleeper	South Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
93	D	Elizabeth E. Dickerson	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
93	R	James Michael Kalloch	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	D	Joan W. Welsh	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
94	R	Ronald J. Bovasso	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	U	Owen David Casas	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	G	Randall A. Parr	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	R	Wesley E. Richardson	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
95	U	Christian William Neils	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	U	Gary E. Sukeforth	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	D	Christine S. Burstein	Lincolnville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	R	Peter Weston	Montville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
97	D	Erin D. Herbig	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Absent/Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
97	G	Paige Katharine Brown	Northport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
97	R	Benjamin L. Bryant	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
98	R	James S. Gillway	Searsport	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
98	U	Joseph E. Brooks	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	D	Brian L. Jones	Freedom	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	R	MaryAnne Kinney	Knox	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am opposed to abortion period."*
100	D	Frederick H. Austin	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
100	R	Kenneth Wade Fredette	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
100	U	David L. Bright	Dixmont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
101	D	James E. Davitt	Hampden	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	Y	Y	N	**"This would appear to be unconstitutional." "This is a very one-sided poll. In many questions there is no simple yes or no.'*

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101	R	Brian M. Duprey	Hampden	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
102	R	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"Thanks for all you do!"*
103	D	Mary E. Sharkus	Hermon	—	—	Y	—	—	—	Y	—	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*"This is not a yes or no answer."
103	R	Roger E. Reed	Carmel	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
104	D	David B. Pearson	Dexter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
104	R	Raymond A. Wallace	Dexter	N	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
105	D	Daniel S. Swain	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
105	R	Joel R. Stetkis	Canaan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	?*	*"I don't know enough about this issue to make an informed decision."
106	D	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
106	R	Scott Walter Strom	Pittsfield	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I have been pro-life my whole life. This was the first issue that pushed me to be a Republican."*
107	D	Jeff M. McCabe	Skowhegan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
107	R	Timothy S. Amadon	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
108	D	Karen Kusiak	Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
108	R	John Joseph Picchiotti	Fairfield	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
109	D	Thomas R. W. Longstaff	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	D	Henry E. M. Beck	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	R	Mark Richard Andre	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
111	D	Ann E. Dorney	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
111	R	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	D	Jack W. Frost, Jr.	Anson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	R	Thomas H. Skolfield	Weld	—	Y	Y	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	Y	
113	D	Edward S. David	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
113	R	Andrew Russell Buckland	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	D	Guy A. Iverson	Chesterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	R	Russell J. Black	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
115	D	Matthew J. Peterson	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
115	R	Terrence L. Magee	Woodstock	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	*"This depends on who is paying. If a person who smokes, drinks, and uses drugs wants a new liver, I would have a hard time justifying the state pay for it."
116	D	Malcolm M. Gill	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
116	R	Richard A. Pickett	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
117	D	Callie Pecunies	Albany Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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117	R	Frances M. Head	Bethel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	D	Matthew J. Quinn	Cornville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	R	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
119	R	Paul A. Stearns	Guilford	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
120	D	Donald James Crossman	Milo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
120	R	Norman E. Higgins	Dover-Foxcroft	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
121	D	Robert S. Duchesne	Hudson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
121	R	Douglas A. Smith	Corinth	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
122	D	Michelle Ann Dunphy	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
122	R	John M. Nuttall	Old Town	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
123	D	Ryan D. Tipping-Spitz	Orono	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
123	R	Andrew James Bracy	Orono	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	"*Personally against abortion, but it is not my decision to make for other people.*"
124	D	Aaron M. Frey	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
124	R	Colby B. Civiello	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
125	D	Victoria P. Kornfield	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
125	R	Gary E. Capehart	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
126	D	John C. Schneck	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
126	R	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
127	D	Adam A. Goode	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
127	R	James V. Lacadie	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
128	D	Arthur C. Verow	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
128	R	Gail M. Sheehan	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	D	Teresa Montague	Clifton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	R	Peter A. Lyford	Eddington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	D	Emery A. Deabay	Bucksport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	R	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	D	Veronica Garvey Magnan	Stockton Springs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	R	Karleton S. Ward	Dedham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
132	D	Louis J. Luchini	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
132	R	R. Frederick Ehrlenbach	Trenton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
133	D	Ralph Chapman	Brooksville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
133	R	Susan M. Walsh	Blue Hill	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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134	D	Walter A. Kumiega III	Deer Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
134	R	Frank L. Stanley	Tremont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
135	D	Brian L. Hubbell	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
135	R	Maurice Joseph Marshall	Lamoine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	D	Elizabeth A. Allen	Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	R	Richard S. Malaby	Hancock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
137	D	Oscar F. Emerson	Bradley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
137	R	Lawrence E. Lockman	Amherst	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
138	D	Robert W. Alley, Sr.	Beals	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
138	R	Richard O. Paul	Addison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
139	D	Katherine W. Cassidy	Lubec	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
139	R	William R. Tuell	East Machias	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	D	Harold Roy Clark, Jr.	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	R	Joyce A. Maker	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
141	R	Beth P. Turner	Burlington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
142	R	Sheldon Mark Hanington	Lincoln	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
143	D	Stephen S. Stanley	Medway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
143	R	Debbi J. Perkins	Millinocket	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	D	George T. Schools	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	R	Roger L. Sherman	Hodgdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
145	D	Glenn M. Hines	Hammond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
145	R	Ricky D. Long	Sherman	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
146	D	Troy A. Haines	Mapleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
146	R	Dustin Michael White	Washburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
147	D	Robert J. Saucier	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record/Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
147	R	Larry K. Fox	Presque Isle	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am strongly pro-life and will rigorously support that position."*
148	D	Alan D. Whittemore	Limestone	*	*	*	*	*	*	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	**	N	*"I support the federal laws of the U.S." **"Need more information." "When right-to-lifers choose to care as much about the children already born and living in poverty as much as you do about abortion, we will have gained in society."*
148	R	Anthony J. Edgecomb	Fort Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
148	U	Gregory Alan Ward	Limestone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
149	R	Carol A. McElwee	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
150	D	Roland Daniel Martin	Sinclair Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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Kermit Gosnell

Pulling Back the Curtain on the Reality of Abortion

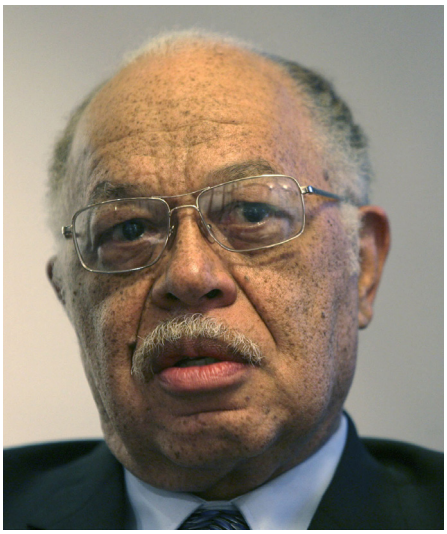
The Facts

In April 2013, abortionist Kermit Gosnell was convicted on three counts of murder in the deaths of 3 newborn babies.

Gosnell routinely delivered live babies and then ended their lives by severing their spinal cords with scissors. The Grand Jury Report estimates hundreds of babies met similar fates at Gosnell's Philadelphia abortion center.

Gosnell preyed on vulnerable women with his abortion business and subjected them to dangerous and unsanitary conditions. One woman named Karnamaya Mongar died at Gosnell's center after an overdose of Demerol. After Mongar's death, a former employee said Gosnell reassured her that she'd done nothing wrong.

According to the Grand Jury Report, for political reasons, the PA Department of Health ceased inspections of abortion centers allowing the atrocities to continue for years.



"This case is about a doctor who killed babies and endangered women...Over the years, many people came to know that something was going on here. But no one put a stop to it."
- Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

"Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn't call it that. He called it "ensuring fetal demise." The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby's neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that "snipping." - Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

Media Blackout

Initially, the media refused to cover the Gosnell case. Pro-life advocates and bloggers stormed social media to compel the media to cover the trial. The effort led to national coverage and resulted in a Fox News documentary entitled "See No Evil."

"I asked one of the court staff why so few are interested.
'If you're pro-choice, do you really want anybody to know about this,' he said, motioning to the filthy medical equipment set up in the courtroom."
– JD Mullane, reporter for the Bucks County Courier Times *

"Infant beheadings. Severed baby feet in jars. A child screaming after it was delivered alive during an abortion procedure…Let me state the obvious. This should be front page news…
We've forgotten what belongs on Page One." - columnist Kirsten Powers*

Implications

The Gosnell case provides further evidence that a great deal of the late abortion iceberg is below the water.

Kermit Gosnell was convicted of murder for severing the necks of just-born babies, but those babies would have died just as painfully if he had killed them inside the womb, as most late-term abortionists do. The result is the same for the baby whether it meets its end in a shabby clinic like Gosnell's or a brand new Planned Parenthood facility -- a painful death.

"(Details of the Gosnell trial) have shocked the nation's conscience regarding the culture of abortion. This trial and this verdict will generate serious discussion about abortion policy in the United States and elsewhere." - blogger Mollie Ziegler Hemingway*

"Gosnell pulls the curtain back from the inherent violence of abortion. You can't sit in that courtroom and learn about what abortion does to the unborn child and to the woman in many cases … you can't sit there day after day and week after week and listen to that testimony and not be changed, and not have a change of heart, or at least reconsider your position." – reporter JD Mullane*

Protecting Life

National Right to Life strongly supports the passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

UNBORN BABIES FEEL PAIN!

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act would provide nationwide protection for unborn children who are capable of feeling pain, beginning at 20 weeks fetal age (equivalent to "22 weeks of pregnancy"), the beginning of the sixth month.

"This legislation reflects the views of the overwhelming majority of both men and women," said NRLC President Carol Tobias. "The Obama White House, and all but a handful of House Democrats, fought for essentially unlimited abortion in the sixth month or later, despite growing public awareness of the violence perpetrated by late-term abortionists such as Kermit Gosnell and the pain they inflict on unborn babies."

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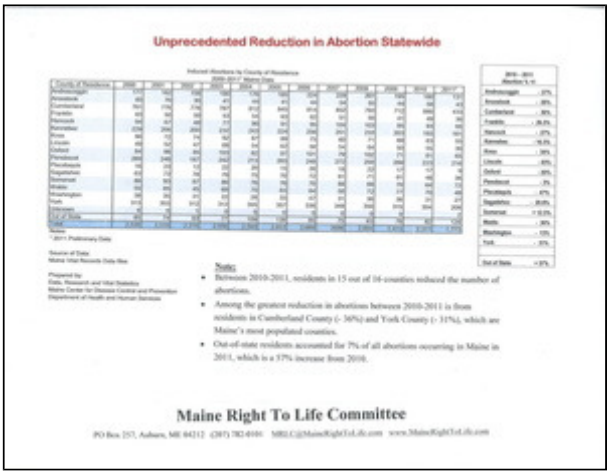
Maine Voices: Abortion numbers show tide is turning, minds are changing

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear that abortion is not the answer.

By TERESA McCANN-TUMIDAJSKI

AUBURN — There is a paradigm shift in the women's movement.



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The majesty of motherhood has co-opted "choice" for more and more Maine women.

The 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control indicates that abortions in Maine plunged to a historic record low of 1,773.

That's an amazing 23.3 percent reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 precious children saved in just one year.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined for the fourth straight year by 916, or 34 percent during the four-year period.

This is clearly a trend for life that cannot be denied or minimized.

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear. Abortion is not the answer, even if the law enshrines it.

In 2011, abortions dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine.

In fact, 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced numbers of abortions.

Maine's most populated counties, Cumberland and York, saw decreases in abortion by 36 percent and 31 percent respectively.

This is truly a watershed moment.

You may recall former President Clinton stating, "Abortion should be safe, legal and rare." Why, then, is there a virtual blackout by Maine's mainstream media of this glorious news?

There is no single, silver bullet to attribute this unprecedented decline in abortions. Decades of perseverance, education and grass-roots advocacy by thousands of dedicated and compassionate pro-life Mainers have been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment. Pro-life organizations, pregnancy resource centers, prayer groups, valiant post-abortive women and technology are now aligned.

The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: Life begins at conception. Each human life has inherent value and dignity.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads and on their refrigerators. At 8 weeks' gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. It is clear to see that she just wants a chance at life, and a chance to live.

Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education. But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with sexually transmitted diseases like gonorrhea.

The Maine CDC reports that incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past four years. There is now an alarming worldwide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers. But the Maine CDC Abortion Report indicates from 2007 to 2011, Maine's female population ages 15 to 44 decreased by 5.6 percent, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37 percent. From 2007 to 2011, the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6 percent to 11.4 percent. Additionally, the abortion rate dropped from 10.3 percent in 2007 to only 6.9 percent in 2011.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate and ratio have plummeted. The tide is turning. We are changing hearts, minds, attitudes and behaviors in favor of life, one precious child at a time. True compassion and caring for women and their unborn children in need will ultimately trump the

hollow, barren ring of “choice.”

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called “war on women” intended to “judge” or “shame” women, even though poll after poll, year after year, indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26 percent favor legalized abortion under any circumstances. Does that mean 74 percent of Americans want to shame women? I don’t think so.

Yes, there is a paradigm shift. The so-called “war on women” has really become a war within the womb.

And the precious pearl deep within the womb is of inestimable value. Indeed, it is nature’s most vulnerable and prized resource: the unborn human child.

And it looks like that tiny, innocent baby is finally starting to win.

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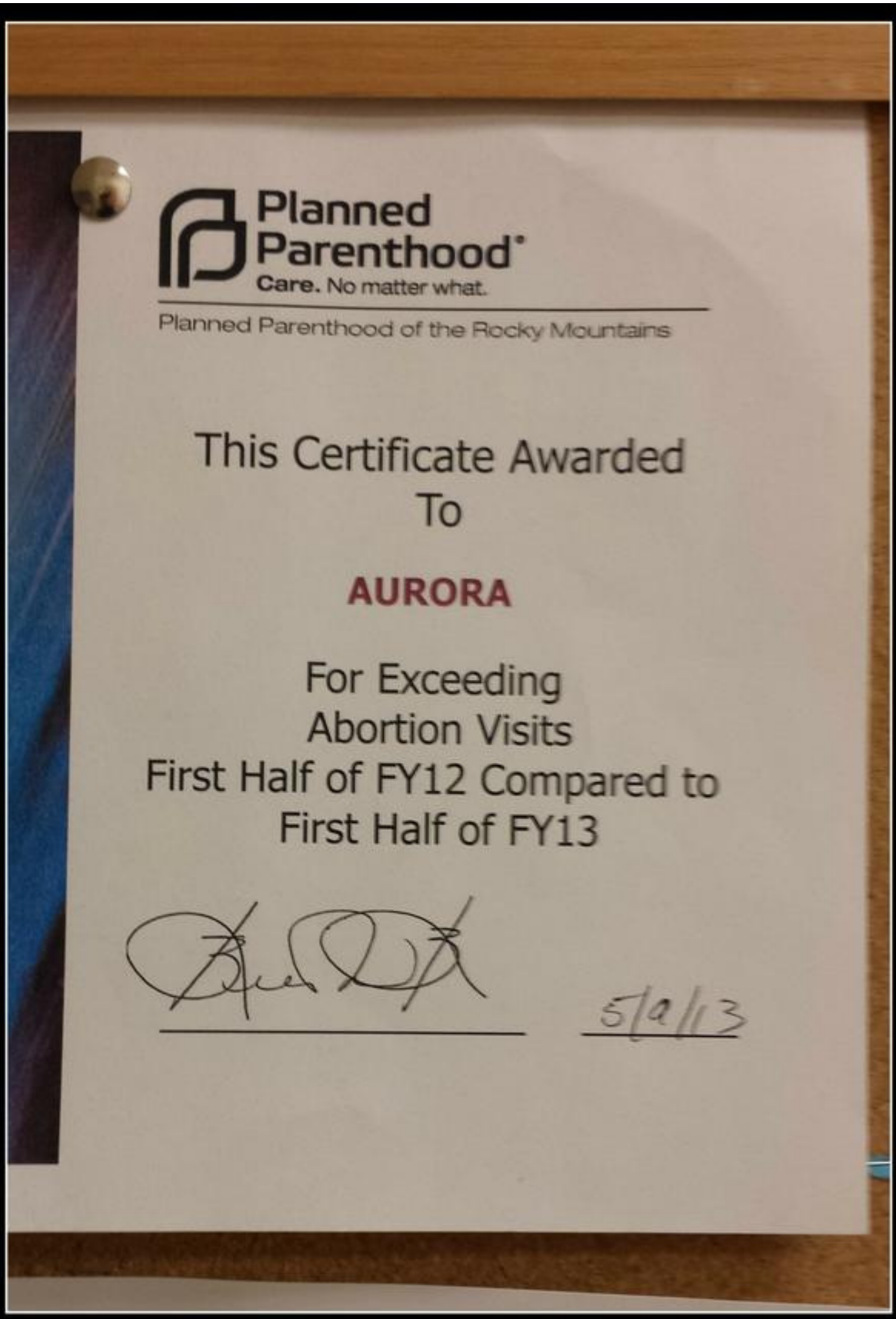

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Pro-Life Chalk Talk

Jamie and Jared McCabe
Aged 16 and 14 years old
Pro-Life University Student Presentation
August 2014

I have a story to share with you about a very special person in my life, my grandma. To us known as Grandma Dootise. Grandma Dootise was all love. She loved God, she loved her family, and she loved the sanctity of human life, which led her to serve twenty plus years at Birthright pregnancy center in Hyannis, Massachusetts. Her work was the difference between caring and saying you care, getting your hands dirty and being right on the front line. Because of confidentiality, there were areas of her work she couldn't share with us, but when her day was done her body language would reveal a life given, or a life taken. How far will we go to speak the truth in love? When society has cast out these women, will we be there to hold their hand and declare life?

In 1986, tragedy struck, and a life altering event took place. Grandma Dootsie was diagnosed with breast cancer, and it shook her family to the core. The fragility of life was now coming full circle. Her days were now filled with doctors appointments, medical treatments including chemotherapy, and lots of rest in between. It was a long year, and her family witnessed the physical agony of this disease. This faith walk brought her prayer life to a whole new level. My grandma had a deep relationship with Jesus, and she asked Him to spare her life, and that's just what He did. I was born in 1998, and my brother Jared in 2000. I got to share thirteen wonderful years with her, and Jared 11 years. When my Grandma regained her health, she was right back at Birthright where she belonged, and as a result, I guess we'll never know how many lives God chose to save.

The Bible says in 1 Samuel 2:6. "The Lord kills and makes us alive, He brings down to the grave and brings up." You see, here's the thing, all the money in the world, the best hospitals, the best doctors, the best nurses, the best medical treatment in the world can't save us. They don't get to choose whether we live or die. All power on heaven and earth belong to Him. Ultimately, God is the giver and taker of life.

On my Grandma Dootsie's deathbed I distinctly remember her saying to my brothers and I to get into politics. She was passing the torch to us for the unborn. I hope I'm honoring her request today. Our voice can be power. One pro-life voice left a legacy that changed three generations, and potentially four if I have children.

Men, let's rise up. We will face God someday. What will we say? Are we prepared? What does the bible say about the value of women? In Proverbs 3:15 it states "She is more precious than rubies, and all the things you may desire can not compare to her." Are we devoted to the cause of making women feel safe? Do we treat them with kindness, love, respect? As ambassadors for Christ we are expected to defend the unborn. There is a sense of urgency here. Men, let's remember what God has trusted us with.

In closing, one thing we can all agree on is Jesus and His great love for us. The cross says it all. He gave everything for us, including His very own life. Are we going to follow his example? Where do you stand?

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Dear Friend for Life:

It is with the greatest joy that we announce abortions in Maine are down 28% over the past six years. That means 750 precious babies have been saved from the horror of abortion in Maine from 2006-2013! The tide is turning in favor of life, here in Maine and across the nation. We have made significant, historic inroads in Augusta and D.C. by electing pro-life leaders who are committed to representing our most vulnerable. The respect life message is resonating stronger and stronger with people of all ages, especially our youth. The March for Life drew hundreds of thousands of young people, each committed to ending the evil of legalized abortion in our nation. Poll after poll shows Americans want restrictions on abortion. In fact, the **May 2014 Gallup Poll indicates 71% of Americans believe abortion should be restricted under *some* or *all* circumstances.**

Perseverance, prayer, education, and advocacy are key to this momentum in favor of life. Although we have come a long way in saving unborn babies and their mothers from abortion, it is sobering to realize that today in our nation, 157 babies are killed EVERY HOUR by abortion. Abortion remains the #1 killer in America today, claiming over one million innocent lives each year, surpassing deaths from heart disease and all cancers combined. Over 57 MILLION unborn babies have died from legal, elective abortion since Roe v Wade was enacted 42 years ago. The gravest evil of our nation's history is this law which has divided a mother from her very own child and pitted men against women and children--- whom they were once entrusted to protect.

Together, let us keep focused on our mission of being faithful to the Lord of Life, and protect His most defenseless. **We cannot continue our vital mission without your generous financial assistance**. **We have a righteous wind at our backs and the truth on our side. But we cannot rest on our laurels, as long as a single human life is in need of a voice.**

Ours is an eternal truth that cannot be minimized or denied: All human life is precious**. Please renew your membership to Maine Right to Life today. Our membership dues have not increased in 10 years, although expenses continue to rise each year. Without your generous support today, our most noble aspirations are futile.**

May the Lord of Life bless you abundantly for your stewardship on behalf of His most vulnerable.

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M.D. Harmon: Planned Parenthood buffer zone a fundamental threat to liberty

Laws that prevent one side from engaging in civil conversation but permit the other can't be tolerated.

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear."

– George Orwell, original preface to "Animal Farm"

The Portland City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve an ordinance that tells Mr. Orwell where to put his pious declarations about vacuous concepts such as "liberty."

It offers the same message to the Founders, who thought freedom of speech vital enough to protect it in the First Amendment.

However, we are now told, such foolish vaporings should only apply as long as no one objects to them.

Such objectors, who may be made "uncomfortable," "feel bad" or even claim to be "intimidated" by others' speech, now have a veto over their rights.

Such is the case in Portland, where for about 18 months, a dozen or so pro-life advocates have lined a Congress Street sidewalk outside the local offices of Planned Parenthood and held signs and directed comments at that facility's staff and clients.

If, as some patrons and staff claim, such comments are personally condemnatory, I would join in criticizing them. One does not support a moral cause by acting in an immoral manner.

On the other hand, if it is wrong to kill an innocent baby in its mother's womb, it is wrong no matter who says what about it.

And not enough attention has been paid to the organization they are protesting, because Planned Parenthood in America:

• Is the nation's largest abortion provider: In the 2011 fiscal year, it says it performed 333,964 abortions, or one abortion every 94 seconds, totaling more than a third of all "terminations" performed in the United States.

• Claims such procedures amount to only "3 percent" of its activities: But some who are familiar with its procedures, including former clinic director Abby Johnson of Texas, say that it manipulates numbers to minimize what abortion adds to the group's bottom line.

• Operates an extremely lucrative enterprise: Its assets total more than $1.2 billion; its CEO, Cecile Richards, makes nearly $400,000 a year.

• And soaks in taxpayer subsidies: Last year, the group took in $542 million in state and federal grants, even as the sequester was cutting funding for government activities such as the National Park Service, aid to disabled children and the military.

But let's return to "buffer zones." Portland has established a 39-foot exclusionary zone around the organization's office, forcing protesters across the street and preventing conversations with people entering the building.

However, as the Boston Globe's Jeff Jacoby pointed out in a Nov. 10 column, the U.S. Supreme Court is poised to take up McCullen v. Coakley, a Massachusetts suit challenging that state's 35-foot exclusionary zones.

It is, as Jacoby noted, "the strictest such law in the nation. Violators can be punished with up to 30 months in prison and fines of up to $30,000."

That isn't the only high court involvement with this issue. On Tuesday, justices refused on a 5-4 vote to block a Texas law requiring doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital.

The law was based on a Pennsylvania measure enacted after Dr. Kermit Gosnell of Philadelphia was convicted of murdering three babies and involuntary manslaughter in the death of a client.

Abortion supporters said the Texas law would close a third of that state's abortion facilities.

But shouldn't the fact that such sites are obviously staffed by "providers" who lack the qualifications to have clients admitted for hospital care be a more important public concern?

Regarding the protesters, many laws apply to speech-related crimes such as slander, libel and the famous "falsely shouting 'Fire!' in a crowded theater."

Still, laws that block protesters from having a civil conversation with another person on a public sidewalk, while letting clinic staffers speak with whomever they want in the same place, privilege pro-abortion speech and penalize its opposite. That would have driven the Founders bonkers.

As Jacoby said, "A lot of people don't want to hear that abortion is wrong, or to be confronted with images of babies in the womb, or to be reminded that 'choice' is a euphemism for the destruction of human life. Many Americans may find such messages alarming, outrageous, or upsetting, especially when they are directed at girls or women going to get an abortion."

And because they don't want to hear it, they use the power of government against their opponents.

But, Jacoby adds, "the First Amendment wasn't written to shield citizens in public spaces from unpopular or distressing speech. It was written to shield unpopular or distressing speech from being suppressed in public spaces."

Right now, Portland can do what it wants. Sometime next year, though, we may discover that

what it wants to do isn't what the Constitution says it is allowed to do.

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Davis	Paul	R	36 Townhouse Road Sangerville	04479	(207) 876-4047 RepDavis@midmaine.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DeChant	Jennifer	D	1008 Middle Street Bath	04530	(207) 442-8486 dechantforbath@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Devin	Michael	D	1 Hillcrest Road Newcastle	04553	(207) 563-3132 mick@mickdevin.org	A	X	X	X	X	X
Dickerson	Elizabeth	D	260 West Meadow Road Rockland	04841	(207) 596-0028 RepElizabeth.Dickerson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Dill	James	D	72 Sunset Drive Old Town	04468	(207) 827-3498 jdill@umext.maine.edu	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dion	Mark	D	45 Allison Avenue Portland	04103	(207) 797-6341 mndion@msn.com	A	X	✓	X	X	X

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Doak	Peter	R	P. O. Box 13 Columbia Falls	04623	(207) 483-2031 RepPeter.Doak@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dorney	Ann	D	40 Parlin Drive Norridgewock	04957	(207) 474-3287 anndorney@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Dunphy	Larry	R	P. O. Box 331 North Anson	04958	(207) 635-2831 skime2@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Duprey	Brian	R	P. O. Box 214 Hampden	04444	(207) 862-6076 repduprey@me.com	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓
Espling	Eleanor	R	12 Lewiston Road New Gloucester	04260	(207) 926-6082 espling2@securespeed.us	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Evangelos	Jeffrey	U	465 Waldoboro Road Friendship	04547	(207) 832-7378 caa04@roadrunner.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eves	Mark	D	29 Acorn Lane North Berwick	03906	Speaker's Office Tel (207) 287-1300 RepMark.Eves@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Farnsworth	Richard	D	55 Old Mast Road Portland	04102	(207) 874-6399 omc@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Fitzpatrick	Joyce	R	100 Pleasant Street Houlton	04730	(207) 532-9035 RepJoyce.Fitzpatrick@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fowle	Lori	D	305 Taber Hill Road Vassalboro	04989	(207) 872-7268 lorifowlehouse58@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Fredette	Kenneth	R	P. O. Box 70 Newport	04953	(207) 287-1440 RepKenneth.Fredette@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Frey	Aaron	D	P.O. Box 74 Bangor	04402	(207) 249-9969 RepAaron.Frey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gattine	Drew	D	529 Stroudwater Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 409-3477 dgattine@aol.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gideon	Sara	D	37 South Freeport Road Freeport	04032	(207) 865-9593 RepSara.Gideon@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Gifford	Jeffery	R	346 Frost Street Lincoln Center	04457	(207) 290-5088 jeffery.gifford@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gilbert	Paul	D	P. O. Box 186 Jay	04239	(207) 897-5143 pegilbert@hotmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Gillway	James	R	79 Bowen Road Searsport	04974	(207) 548-6429 RepJames.Gillway@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Goode	Adam	D	P. O. Box 2681 Bangor	04402	(207) 991-7000 RepAdam.Goode@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Graham	Anne	D	97 Farms Edge Road North Yarmouth	04097	(207) 846-0049 apg1@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Grant	Gay	D	P. O. Box 4 South Gardiner	04359	(207) 582-5882 RepGay.Grant@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Guerin	Stacey	R	79 Phillips Road Glenburn	04401	(207) 884-7118 repguerin@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Hamann	Scott	D	60 Thornton Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 233-2951 scott@scotthamann.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Harlow	Denise	D	36 Broadway Portland	04103	(207) 409-0870 deniseharlow@hotmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Harvell	Lance	R	398 Knowlton Corner Rd Farmington	04938	(207) 778-2981 lanceharvell@hotmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hayes	Terry	D	P. O. Box 367 Buckfield	04220	(207) 689-5484 terry@megalink.net	X	X	X	X	X	X
Herbig	Erin	D	P.O. Box 1015 Belfast	04915	(207) 542-7654 erinherbig@gmail.com	A	X	✓	A	A	A
Hickman	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Rd Winthrop	04364	(207) 377-3276 craighickman@rocketmail.com	A	X	X	X	A	✓
Hobbins	Barry	D	22 Glenhaven Circle Saco	04072	(207) 229-8996 bhobbins@hobbinslaw.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Hubbell	Brian	D	66 Park Street Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 288-3947 RepBrian.Hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jackson	Roger	R	50 Hebron Road Oxford	04270	(207) 539-4613 reproger.jackson@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	David	R	107 Rooks Road Eddington	04428	(207) 843-6929 djhouse20@gmail.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Johnson	Peter	R	P. O. Box 697 Greenville	04441	(207) 695-2019 rumridge27@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jones	Brian	D	12 Burnham Hill Road Freedom	04941	(207) 385-5226 representativebrianjones@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jorgensen	Erik	D	83 Highland Street Portland	04103	(207) 939-7120 ejorgensen@maine.rr.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kaenrath	Bryan	D	P. O. Box 2168 South Portland	04116	(207) 409-7137 kaenrath@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent	Peter	D	182 Montsweag Road Woolwich	04579	(207) 442-9255 pskentz5@hotmail.com	A	A	X	X	X	X
Keschl	Dennis	R	1024 Wings Mills Road Belgrade	04917	(207) 495-2973 keschl@yahoo.com	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Kinney	Jonathan	R	179 Beaver Berry Road Limington	04049	(207) 637-2366 repkinney@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knight	L.	R	453 Moose Hill Road Livermore Falls	04254	(207) 897-2489 LGary.Knight@usa.net	X	A	A	✓	✓	✓
Kornfield	Victoria	D	48 Madison Street Bangor	04401	(207) 947-7224 RepTori.Kornfield@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Kruger	Chuck	D	37 Green Street Thomaston	04861	(207) 354-8239 cbkruger@myfairpoint.net	X	X	X	A	A	A

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Kumiega	Walter	D	36 Cedar Lane Little Deer Isle	04650	(207) 348-2548 wkumiega36@gmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Kusiak	Karen	D	66 Bray Avenue Fairfield	04937	(207) 453-6834 karen.kusiak@colby.edu	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lajoie	Michel	D	279 Old Greene Road Lewiston	04240	(207) 783-1927 lajoie1@midmaine.com	X	X	A	X	X	X
Libby	Nathan	D	12 Orange Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 399-7993 RepNathan.Libby@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
Libby	Aaron	R	P. O. Box 343 North Waterboro	04061	(207) 247-6461 RepAaron.Libby@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	A	X	✓	✓
Lockman	Lawrence	R	10 Perry Lane Amherst	04605	(207) 584-5900 RepLawrence.Lockman@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Long	Ricky	R	756 Island Falls Road Sherman	04776	(207) 365-4704 rdl_chief@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Longstaff	Thomas	D	39 Pleasant Street Waterville	04901	(207) 872-6617 thomas.longstaff@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Luchini	Louis	D	P. O. Box 1311 Ellsworth	04605	(207) 664-4699 louieluchini@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
MacDonald	W.	D	656 Back River Road Boothbay	04537	(207) 633-0570 bmacdon@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
MacDonald	Sharri	R	171 Portland Avenue Old Orchard Beach	04064	(207) 590-4201 smacdonald@maine.rr.com	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maker	Joyce	R	89 Lafayette Street Calais	04619	(207) 454-2327 gjmaker@gmail.com	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Malaby	Richard	R	52 Cross Road Hancock	04640	(207) 422-3146 rsmalaby@gmail.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marean	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road Hollis	04042	(207) 727-5527 lindonfarm@sacoriver.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marks	Timothy	D	640 Kelley Road Pittston	04345	(207) 582-6798 RepTim.Marks@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Mason	Andrew	D	899 Middlesex Road Topsham	04086	(207) 449-1502 andrew@andrewmason.pro	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mastraccio	Anne-Marie	D	23 Lebanon Street Sanford	04073	(207) 324-8692 annemariemastraccio@icloud.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
McCabe	Jeff	D	13 Olive Street Skowhegan	04976	(207) 474-5402 RepJeff.McCabe@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
McClellan	Michael	R	27 Pismire Mountain Rd Raymond	04071	(207) 655-4438 mmcclell@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
McElwee	Carol	R	54 Pioneer Avenue Caribou	04736	(207) 498-8605 cmcelwee@maine.rr.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
McGowan	Paul	D	41 River Road Cape Neddick	03902	(207) 351-2585 psmcgow@aol.com	X	X	X	A	A	A

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Monaghan-Derrig	Kimberly	D	6 Russet Lane Cape Elizabeth	04107	(207) 749-9443 kmderrig@maine.rr.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Moonen	Matthew	D	17 Pine Street #2 Portland	04102	(207) 332-7823 matt.moonen@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Moriarty	Stephen	D	34 Blanchard Road Cumberland	04021	(207) 829-5095 smoriarty108@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Morrison	Terry	D	13 Ocean Street South Portland	04106	(207) 831-0828 tmorrison16@msn.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Nadeau	Allen	R	545 Caribou Road Fort Kent	04743	(207) 231-1201 wtpfordist1@yahoo.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Nadeau	Catherine	D	23 Patterson Avenue	04901	(207) 873-2025 nadeau1@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Nelson	Mary	D	213 Foreside Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 781-3750 mpn3@maine.rr.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Newendyke	Melvin	R	84 Small Road Litchfield	04350	(207) 268-2553 mln@fairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Noon	William	D	78 Sunset Road Springvale	04083	(207) 432-1790 NoonforMaine@gmail.com	A	X	X	X	X	X
Nutting	Robert	R	P. O. Box 100 Oakland	04963	(207) 465-7139 bob@bobnutting.com	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Parry	Wayne	R	851 Alfred Road Arundel	04046	(207) 286-9145 RepWayne.Parry@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Pease	Jethro	R	287 South Main Street Morrill	04952	(207) 342-5910 RepJethro.Pease@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peavey Haskell	Anita	R	17 Pine Street Milford	04461	(207) 827-7296 RepAnita.Peaveyhaskell@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peoples	Ann	D	22 Garfield Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 856-7264 annpeoples116@msn.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Peterson	Matthew	D	1106 Route 2 Rumford	04276	(207) 776-8051 petersonhouse08@gmail.com	X	X	A	A	A	A
Plante	Joshua	D	34 Goodwin Street Berwick	03901	(603) 978-2788 Repjoshua.plante@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Pouliot	Matthew	R	14 Winthrop Court Augusta	04330	(207) 441-9418 mpouliot57@gmail.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Powers	Christine	D	280 Thompson Point Rd. Naples	04055	(207) 318-2511 cbpowers@me.com	A	X	✓	X	X	X
Priest	Charles	D	9 Bowker Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 725-5439 cpriest1@comcast.net	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Pringle	Jane	D	3 Great Falls Road Windham	04062	(207) 892-8266 jane.p.pringle@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Rankin	Helen	D	84 Sebago Road Hiram	04041	(207) 625-4620 rankin8076@roadrunner.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Reed	Roger	R	278 Murray Road Carmel	04419	(207) 848-5136 rogerreed60@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rochelo	Megan	D	P. O. Box 2433 Biddeford	04005	(207) 929-0110 megan.rochelo@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Rotundo	Margaret	D	446 College Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 784-3259 mrotundo@bates.edu	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Russell	Diane	D	28 Vesper Street #2 Portland	04101	(207) 272-9182 RepDiane.Russell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rykerson	Deane	D	1 Salt Marsh Lane Kittery Point	03905	(207) 439-8755 rykersonforkittery@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sanborn	Linda	D	170 Spiller Road Gorham	04038	(207) 939-2879 lindafsanborn@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Sanderson	Deborah	R	64 Whittier Drive Chelsea	04330	(207) 623-2168 deb.sanderson2010@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Saucier	Robert	D	117 Lombard Street Presque Isle	04769	(207) 227-1160 saucierforpi@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Saxton	Jeremy	D	52 Hildreth Road Harpswell	04079	(207) 751-7616 RepJeremy.Saxton@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X	X
Schneck	John	D	2078 Ohio Street Bangor	04401	(207) 942-7886 RepJohn.Schneck@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Shaw	Michael	D	5 Perimeter Avenue Standish	04084	(207) 787-4352 utumike@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Short	Stanley	D	P. O. Box 103 Pittsfield	04967	(207) 487-4944 RepStanley.Short@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓
Sirocki	Heather	R	32 Glendale Circle Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-5609 RepHeather.Sirocki@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stanley	Stephen	D	614 Pattagumpus Road Medway	04460	(207) 746-5371 stanleyss@pioneercable.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stuckey	Peter	D	20 Vaill Street Portland	04103	(207) 773-3345 pstuckey114@yahoo.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Theriault	Charles	D	116 22nd Avenue Madawaska	04756	(207) 728-4526 kent23@myfairpoint.net	✓	X	A	A	A	A
Timberlake	Jeffrey	R	284 Ricker Hill Road Turner	04282	(207) 225-6016 jtimberlake_us@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tipping-Spitz	Ryan	D	279 Main St Orono	04473	(207) 866-4333 oronoryan@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Treat	Sharon	D	22 Page Street Hallowell	04347	(207) 623-7161 RepSharon.Treat@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	X	X

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Turner	Beth	R	P. O. Box 65 Burlington	04417	(207) 732-4625 repbethturner@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tyler	Thomas	R	30 Buckfield Drive Windham	04062	(207) 892-9760 RepTom.Tyler@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Verow	Arthur	D	20 Greenwood Drive Brewer	04412	(207) 989-7032 arthurverow@hotmail.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Villa	Lisa	D	P. O. Box 427 Harrison	04040	(207) 712-5222 Villa98staterep@gmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
Volk	Amy	R	4 Elbridge Oliver Way Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-1963 avolk@volkboxes.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wallace	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street Dexter	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Weaver	Windol	R	4 Weavers Way York	03909	(207) 363-4641 wcw63@aol.com	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Welsh	Joan	D	54 Sea Street Rockport	04856	(207) 236-6554 joanwelsh08@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Werts	R.	D	556 Pownal Road Auburn	04210	(207) 783-6931 rw556@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
Willette	Alexander	R	106 Hanson Lake Road Mapleton	04757	(207) 768-1516 alexander.willette@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wilson	Corey	R	44 Kelton Road Augusta	04330	(207) 469-5295 RepCorey.Wilson@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winchenbach	Ellen	R	1121 Manktown Road Waldoboro	04572	(207) 832-2005 ellenaw12@yahoo.com	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Winsor	Tom	R	107 Thurston Road Norway	04268	(207) 527-2233 twinsor@megalink.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wood	Stephen	R	P. O. Box 927 Sabattus	04280	(207) 740-3723 woodysnavy@aol.com	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓

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	Name of Legislation	Voted	I	Score
Passed	Passage of pro-life reconciliation bill (defund Planned Parenthood) 10/23/15	N		X
Passed	Womens Public Health and Safety Act (Medicaid state flexibility) 09/29/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of the Defund Planned Parenthood Act 09/18/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 09/18/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	N		X
Failed	Motion to add open-ended "health" exception to 20-week abortion ban 05/13/15	Y		X
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	N		X
Passed	To block the D.C. "Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act" (RHNDA) 04/30/15	N		X
Passed	Repeal of the Obamacare health care law 02/03/15	N		X
Passed	H. Res. 42 Providing for Consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions. House Roll Call #43 01/22/15	N		X
Passed	No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) 01/28/14	N		X
Passed	Delay two Obamacare programs for one year (Blackburn Amendment) 09/29/13	N		X
Passed	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (protect unborn at 20 weeks) 06/18/13	N		X
Passed	Repeal of Obamacare health care law 05/16/13	N		X

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Total Abortions Occurring in Maine

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Total	4025	3277	2846	3836	4412	4445	4418	4767	4723	4685
Age of Mother										
<15	36	22	26	26	36	32	38	24	29	34
15-17	510	371	291	468	615	582	688	737	721	551
18-19	693	558	497	667	735	797	690	716	739	702
20-24	1481	1196	1066	1364	1537	1526	1456	1566	1480	1511
25-29	760	613	504	712	816	766	819	894	872	936
30-34	321	319	278	371	402	418	398	472	474	555
35-39	153	133	121	159	198	232	217	210	231	263
40+	71	65	63	69	73	92	112	148	177	133

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total	4607	3827	3226	3301	3089	2819	2602	2543	2408	2427
Age of Mother										
<15	23	19	19	23	21	19	21	11	12	17
15-17	444	359	255	273	244	292	238	279	245	219
18-19	647	510	364	396	379	369	365	342	329	347
20-24	1563	1289	1054	1109	995	888	766	767	736	765
25-29	981	767	697	665	634	564	542	497	492	460
30-34	568	523	471	469	439	352	324	330	292	297
35-39	275	268	246	251	258	240	242	220	202	208
40+	106	92	120	115	119	95	104	97	100	114

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	2536	2515	2315	2550	2593	2653	2672	2689	2623	2413
Age of Mother										
<15	11	8	7	9	8	12	11	10	7	7
15-17	214	212	191	182	189	188	178	179	161	132
18-19	357	332	292	291	317	322	294	304	306	265
20-24	773	834	811	919	867	863	966	937	921	853
25-29	515	494	436	535	564	569	561	608	597	603
30-34	338	302	297	330	318	329	330	335	323	280
35-39	241	226	179	194	229	201	209	212	238	193
40+	87	107	102	90	101	169	123	104	70	80

	2010	2011	2012**	2013
Total	2311	1773		1939
Age of Mother				
<15	11	10		5
15-17	99	78		90
18-19	276	176		164
20-24	781	616		651
25-29	552	415		495
30-34	324	260		282
35-39	186	155		159
40+	82	63		93

Information provided by the Maine CDC April 2015

***2012 Final data not yet available from the CDC*

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April 23, 2014

The Honorable Bruce Poliquin
Poliquin for Congress
Post Office Box 50
Oakland, Maine 04963

Dear Mr. Poliquin:

National Right to Life is pleased to endorse you for election to the U.S. House of Representatives, to represent the 2nd Congressional District of Maine.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of federal funds for abortion.

In 2010, Congress voted to enact President Obama's health care law, which provides government funding for health plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will result in the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. You are needed in Congress to help reverse the abortion-expanding and rationing effects of that law.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life throughout the nation and in the U.S. Congress. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically disabled or dependent persons, whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

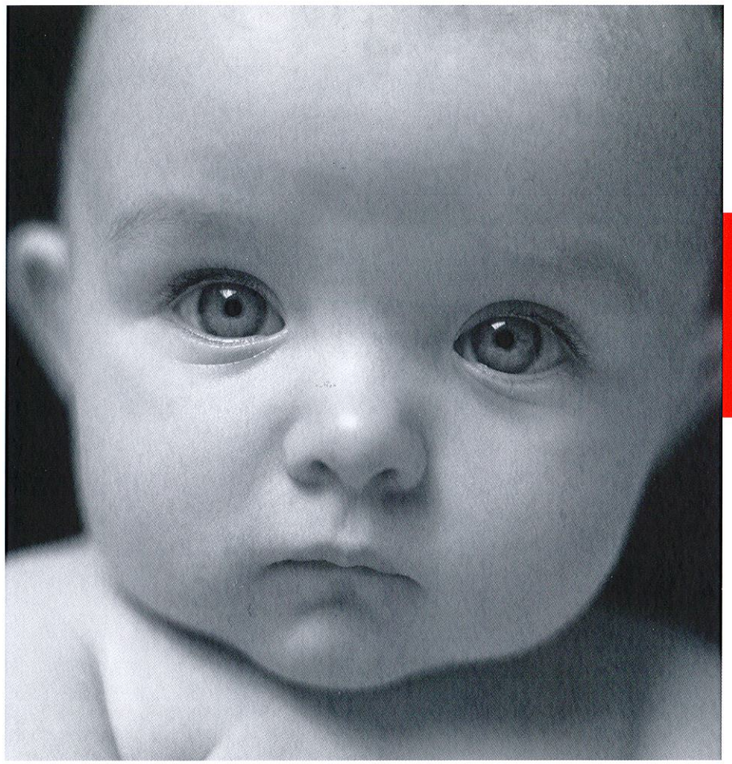
All voters who are concerned with the right to life and with the protection of the most vulnerable members of the human family should vote to send you to Congress, so that you can work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

David N. O'Steen, Ph.D.
Executive Director

Karen Cross
Political Director

Douglas Johnson
Legislative Director



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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

☐ Bruce Poliquin

- **Bruce Poliquin** is pro-life. He opposes abortion on demand, and he supports the bill to protect unborn children from abortion after 20 weeks, when they can feel terrible pain during abortions.
- **Bruce Poliquin** opposes using tax dollars to pay for abortion.
- **Bruce Poliquin** opposes Obamacare, and will work to reverse the pro-abortion and rationing effects of that law.

☐ Emily Cain

- **Emily Cain** supports a policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason, even after 20 weeks, when the baby can feel pain.
- **Emily Cain** supports the use of tax dollars to pay for abortions.
- **Emily Cain** supports Obamacare, which provides government funding for insurance plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will lead to the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments.

COMPARE DECIDE VOTE

"I set before you life and death . . ." -Deuteronomy 30:19

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 22, 2014
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Barbara Ford
Executive Director
The Shepherd's Godparent Home, Bangor
Receives 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

(Auburn, ME) Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd's Godparent Home and founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor, has been awarded the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award. The announcement was made at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention held October 18 in Portland. A packed banquet hall responded to the news with a standing ovation. Several members of the Ford family were present for the Award Ceremony including husband of 26 years, Ed Ford; and children: Adam, Alexandra, and Joel. Dr. Jerry Mick of Bangor Baptist Church and his wife Jane were present for the ceremony as well.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life, states, *"Barbara Ford is a tireless leader for unborn babies and their mothers. She says "YES" to life-- with wide, open and supportive arms. Barbara provides young women facing crisis pregnancy with a loving and safe residence at the Shepherd's Godparent Home for the duration of their pregnancies."* Barbara Ford is also the founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor which is a transition apartment for young mothers to take a year to mature with their babies.

Since 1990 Barbara has been a foster parent to over 100 children. She leads by example beginning at home. Barbara Ford is the mother to 6 adopted children and 1 biological child. She believes and supports life at all stages….from being a foster parent…a mother…to being a legal guardian to 2 mentally disabled adults. She is also the Board President of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine.

The prestigious statewide Life Award is presented to a Maine citizen aged 12-100 years old who has consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/handicapped.

For the first time in the history of the award, two distinguished members of Maine's legislature submitted nominations for this year's award. Both Maine legislators independently nominated Barbara Ford for the award: Representative Ellie Espling (R) of New Gloucester and Senator David C. Burns (R) of Whiting.

"Barbara Ford shows love, compassion, and respect for young women facing crisis pregnancies by putting her faith in action year after year" said Teresa McCann-Tumidajski. *"There is no more worthy recipient of the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award than Barbara Ford. She is a beacon of light and hope for countless young mothers in need, She provides love and support for both baby and mother alike, at a time when both are most vulnerable,"* Tumidajski added.

The Patricia DeGrinney Life Award was instituted in honor of a founding member of Maine Right to Life Committee: Patricia DeGrinney. Patricia worked tirelessly for over 40 years to educate women and men

concerning the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. A staunch advocate for the unborn and elderly, Patricia DeGrinney spearheaded many pro-life programs throughout the state of Maine.

Several members of the DeGrinney family were also present for the 2014 Award Ceremony including son John DeGrinney and his wife Gigi, along with granddaughter, Grace.

Former winners of the prestigious statewide Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award are:

2013 Carl Maddaleni, Director of Maine Vitae Society, Cape Elizabeth, ME
2012 Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll of New Harbor, ME
2011 Judy Cushing, Executive Director, ABBA, A Women's Resource Center, Portland, ME
2010 Margaret Yates, RN, of East Wilton, ME
2009 Patricia Truman of Hallowell, ME

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. -----Margaret Mead

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September 16, 2014

The Honorable Paul LePage
The Committee to Re-Elect Governor Paul LePage
Post Office Box 1788
Waterville, Maine 04903

Dear Governor LePage:

National Right to Life, the federation of state right-to-life organizations, is pleased to endorse you for re-election as governor.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of tax funds for abortion.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically dependent or disabled persons – whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life should vote to re-elect you as governor, so that you can continue to work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

David N. O'Steen, Ph.D.
Executive Director

Karen A. Cross
Political Director

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Term: 1st

Elected: 2012

Senator Angus King (I-ME)

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

Name of Legislation		Voted	Score
Rejected	A bill to prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. 08/03/15	N	X
Rejected	Constitutional amendment to curb free speech about political officeholders and issues 09/11/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Murray bill to empower DHHS abortion mandates 07/16/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Preventing abortion funding and protecting religious liberty 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act: Sense of the Senate 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Defunding of the Obama health care law 03/13/2013	N	X

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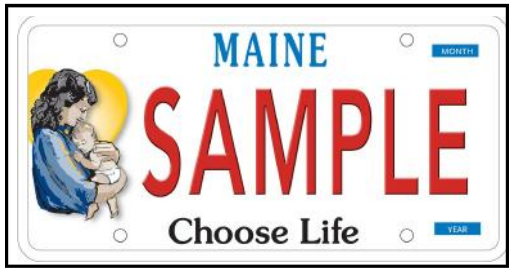

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If you would like to help us make this plate available to the people of the State of Maine, please complete the following application (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) and submit it with your check or money order for $25.00 payable to CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC. and mail it to us at:

CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC., c/o David Alexander, 2 Ballard Street, Augusta, Maine 04330; Phone: (207) 622-0953

All proceeds we will eventually receive from the State will be allocated to not-for-profit, life affirming pregnancy support centers licensed and resident in the State of Maine.

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ANALYSIS & BACKGROUNDER

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

To: All Journalists & Interested Parties

From: Tatiana Bergum, Deputy Press Secretary
(202) 626-8825 or mediarelations@nrlc.org

Re: *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*

National Right to Life Analysis:

Narrow Supreme Court decision in Hobby Lobby underscores deeper abortion-expanding aspects of Obamacare

The National Right to Life Committee, the nation's oldest and largest pro-life organization, today released the following analysis of yesterday's U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby.* Any part of the following analysis may be attributed to National Right to Life.

The ruling provides a modest victory for religious conscience rights. However, as explained further below, the ruling does not truly correct any of the major abortion-expanding problems created by Obamacare.

The five-justice majority rejected the Obama Administration's attempt to force family-owned for-profit corporations to directly purchase health insurance covering certain drugs and devices that violate the employer's religious and moral beliefs. The Court held that this application of a provision of Obamacare violates a federal statute, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The Court's majority recognized the gravity of the moral and religious objections raised by Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Wood Specialties in this case.

However, the Court left open the possibility that those objections might be satisfactorily resolved by a government mandate ("accommodation") that these employers' insurance carriers pay directly for

the same drugs and devices. This leaves unresolved the status of many entities (including religiously affiliated schools, charities, and hospitals) with sincere religiously based objections to providing specific drugs and devices, who regard a federal mandate that requires them to take action to require their insurance carrier to carry out the same ends as differing only in form and not in substance from the original mandate.

Moreover, regardless of how the scope of the "accommodation" is defined by future rulemaking and litigation, it is difficult to discern what would prevent HHS from issuing a further expansion of its "preventive services" mandate to require that most employers also provide coverage for surgical abortions, or for doctor-prescribed suicide, that would be just as expansive as the contraceptive mandate.

In short, even with respect only to the "preventive services" component of Obamacare, the Court's ruling in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* comes nowhere near to correcting the heart of the problem, which is the overly expansive authority that the Obamacare law itself provides to HHS to define "preventive services." The other major abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare, including the massive tax subsidies that will assist millions of Americans to purchase health plans that cover elective abortion, were not even issues in the cases just decided.

Only comprehensive legislative reform can cure the multiple abortion-expanding components of Obamacare – and such reform can only be accomplished with new leadership in the U.S. Senate and in the White House.

During the congressional debate over Obamacare, National Right to Life continuously warned against the abortion-expanding and health care rationing provisions of the bill. An archive of documents related to the abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare is available here: http://www.nrlc.org/federal/ahc/obamalaw/. In March, National Right to Life's Robert Powell Center for Medical Ethics issued a report on how Obamacare is rationing access to life-preserving medical treatment, "The Affordable Care Act and Health Care Access in the United States" which is available here (with other supporting materials): http://www.nrlc.org/communications/healthcarereport.

For interviews on this analysis, or the abortion-expanding and rationing provisions of Obamacare, please contact the NRLC Communications Department at (202) 626-8825 or mediarelations@nrlc.org.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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District	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Party	ADDRESS / CITY	ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	LD 1247, "An Act to Expand Coverage of Family Planning Services" (March 2014)	LD 1428, "An Act to Protect Religious Freedom" (February 2014)	LD 1065, "An Act Regarding Patient-directed Care at the End of Life" (June 2013)	LD 760, "An Act Regarding Informed Consent to an Abortion" (June 2013)	LD 1193, "An Act To Allow a Wrongful Death Cause of Action for the Death of an Unborn Child" (June 2013)	LD 1339, "An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors" (June 2013)
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6	Boyle	James	D	25 Dundee Rd. Gorham	04038	senjames.boyle@legislature.maine.gov c:207-899-9606	X	X	—	X	X	X
29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd. Whiting	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
30	Cain	Emily	D	103 Forest Ave. Orono	04473	emily.cain@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St. Auburn	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd. Wells	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
16	Craven	Margaret	D	41 Russell St. Lewiston	04240	mmcraven@roadrunner.com 207-783-1897	X	X	—	X	X	X
33	Cushing	Andre	R	PO Box 211 Hampden	04444	andre@andrecushing.com 207-358-9447	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
4	Dutremble	David	D	536 Elm St. Biddeford	04005	ddutrem1@gmail.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr. Winthrop	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
10	Gerzofsky	Stanley	D	3 Federal St. Brunswick	04011	stan1340@aol.com 207-373-1328	X	X	—	X	X	X
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20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd. Somerville	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	X	X	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St. Augusta	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
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28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St. Ellsworth	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	X	✓	—	X	X	X
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11	Woodbury	Richard	U	174 Oakwood Dr. Yarmouth	04096	Dick@dickwoodbury.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
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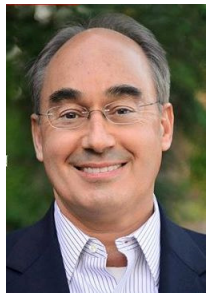

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

	Name of Legislation	Voted	Score
Passed	Passage of pro-life reconciliation bill (defund Planned Parenthood) 10/23/15	Y	√
Passed	Womens Public Health and Safety Act (Medicaid state flexibility) 09/29/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Defund Planned Parenthood Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	Y	√
Failed	Motion to add open-ended "health" exception to 20-week abortion ban 05/13/15	N	√
Passed	To block the D.C. "Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act" (RHNDA) 04/30/15	Not Voting	Not Scored
Passed	Repeal of the Obamacare health care law 02/03/15	N	X
Passed	No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) 01/22/15	Y	√

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Things to Consider:

Panic will work against you.
Take a deep breath and relax. Give yourself the chance to make a thoughtful and purposeful decision about what **YOU** want.
TheUnChoice.com reports that about 64% of those who have an abortion felt pressured by others into making that decision.

Are you making an informed choice?
Be medically aware:
-Do you know the specific actions the doctor will perform on your body?

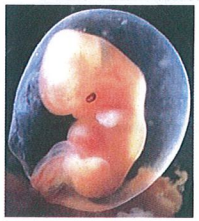
-Are you prepared for the risks of the procedure during and after and what follow-up will they provide?

-If you have had an ultrasound done, have you viewed the image of your baby? It is your legal right.

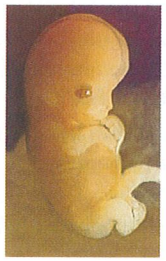
Be emotionally aware:
-Are you aware of the psychological consequences of an abortion you may experience immediately after or for the rest of your life?

Your Baby Is...

Day 1 (Fertilization) - already a unique human being with a specific set of chromosomes (DNA).



Day 22 (3 weeks) - growing rapidly and has a heartbeat.



Week 7 - kicking and Swimming

Week 8 - hearing your voice.

Week 12 - sucking his /her thumb and can feel pain.

There are risks to abortion.
A surgical abortion takes only 10 minutes, but its effects can last a lifetime.

There is an increased risk of future miscarriage.

There are also increased risks of premature births and Breast Cancer.

Many women suffer flashbacks, anxiety attacks, and have trouble sleeping.

Depression or thoughts of suicide are often experienced by women who choose abortion.

Problems bonding with current and future children are common.

We can help you care for your baby or arrange an Adoption Plan.

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- ABBA—A Women's Resource Center (207) 253-5555 or text (207) 200-5746 www.abbapregnancychoice.org answergirl@abbapregnancychoice.org
- Catholic Charities Maine-Birthline 1-800-781-8550 x2672 psm@ccmaine.org www.ccmaine.org/psm
- Project Rachel, Diocese of Portland (207)321-7885 annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org

Sanford

- Alpha Pregnancy Resource Ctr. (207) 324-5752 alpha@gwi.net www.alphapregnancyhelp.com

Biddeford

- St. Andre Home, Inc. office (207) 282-3351 or 1-844-300-LOVE (5683) www.saintandrehome.org pregnancysupport@saintandrehome.org
- New Hope Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 571-HOPE (4673) newhopepregnancyresourceter@gmail.com www.newhopepregnancyresourcecenter.com

Dover, NH

- Options for Women Pregnancy Health Center & Clinic (603) 749-4441 www.optionsforwomen.org

Central Maine

Augusta

- Open Arms Pregnancy Center (207) 620-1600 info@openarmspc.org www.openarmspc.org

Waterville

- First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 872-5070 firstchoicepregnancyctr@yahoo.com www.firstchoicepregnancycenter.org

Lewiston/Mechanic Falls

- Hope House's Family Support Ctr (207) 577-1165 hopehouse17@gmail.com www.hopehousemaine.com

Brunswick

- Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine (207) 725-5433 www.carenetme.org thecenter@carenetme.org

Fryeburg

- Mother Seton House (207) 935-1066 info@mothersetonhouse.com www.mothersetonhouse.com

Rockland

- Care Net Crisis Pregnancy Center (207) 594-1616 carenet@midcoast.com www.carenetofrockland.com

Northern Maine

Bangor

- First Step Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 942-1611 firststeppregnancy@msn.com www.firststeppregnancy.com
- The Shepherd's Godparent Home (207) 947-9220 Crisis line: 949-CARE (2273) www.godparenthome.org

Aroostook County

- Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook— 1-800-300-0220 Locations: **Fort Kent**—(207) 834-5800 **Houlton**—(207) 532-6380 **Presque Isle**—(207) 764-0022 christiecorey@hotmail.com www.pcc-hope.org

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Whatsoever you do for the least of My brethren, you do for Me.
Matthew 25:40

Dear Friend for Life:

What greater gift was bestowed upon all mankind than the gift of life and love through the birth of Our Savior?

As we approach this most mysterious and beautiful season of Christmas, I come to you as a beggar, to humbly ask that you make a Christmas Donation for Life…to protect our precious pre-born.

Please take a moment to reflect upon the glorious bounty of Our Lord's blessings, and make a donation of love, for the glorious gift of life. Your generosity will be known to Our Lord. **Your loving Christmas gift this blessed season may save the life of a precious little one**. **Who is more needy and vulnerable than an innocent, pre-born baby?** We need your generosity and assistance more than ever as we combat the devaluation of vulnerable life in our society. All of our funds are privately donated by the loving and generous hearts of our friends and colleagues. Remember, we don't receive hundreds of millions of tax dollars each year like Planned Parenthood. We rely on you, our dedicated pro-life friends, to help us in our unwavering mission of protecting His Holy Innocents. Act now for the lives of His Little Ones.

Together, let us weave a cloak of love in the center of our hearts for the Christ Child. Thank you for your loving generosity. **Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones! And we hope that you will join us on January 16 at *Hands Around the Capitol*, commemorating the 43rd Memorial of Roe v. Wade.**

For life,

Teresa

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski
Executive Director

Yes. Please accept my Christmas Gift of life & love! Put the Christ Child in the Center of your Heart.

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Please make your end of the year tax-deductible Christmas Donation payable to: **Maine Right to Life Education Fund.**

May the Christ Child bless you for protecting His Holy Innocents! God bless you for your generosity!

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Total Abortions In Maine Decrease AGAIN!

State of Maine Abortion Statistics for 2011

For the 4th straight year total abortions in Maine declined at an amazing pace. From the recent peak total of **2,689** in 2007, abortions in 2011 amounted to **1,773**, a decline of **916** or 34.1% in the 4-year period.

It gets even more encouraging when one looks at the rapid decline among young people, those aged 12-24. Abortions in this group have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. In 2006 abortions in this young group amounted to **1,449**. By 2011 the number had dropped to **880**, a decline of **569** or 39.3%.

The Year-to-Year Numbers 2006-2011*

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
1773	2311	2413	2623	2689	**2672**
-23.30%	-4.20%	-8.00%	-2.45%	0.01%	

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR 12 - 24 YEAR OLDS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
880	1167	1257	1395	1430	**1449**
-24.60%	-7.20%	-9.90%	-2.50%	-1.30%	

**Information provided by the Maine CDC*

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Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

Ann M. LePage

Ann M. LePage
First Lady of Maine

Maine Voices: Maine deserves leader who places right to life over politics … and profits

pressherald.com/2014/09/26/maine-voices-maine-deserves-leaders-who-place-people-over-politics-and-profits/

By Teresa McCann-Tumidajski

AUBURN — China's sex-selective abortion policy of favoring male children is state-sponsored gendercide. Nations across the globe decry this brutal barbarism. Human compassion rebels against such evil as practiced in China. No innocent unborn child should be aborted because of her gender.

Why then, is a so-called women's group spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in Maine to elect candidates like Democrat Mike Michaud, with a voting record supporting abortion on demand for any reason, including gender selection? On May 31, 2012, Michaud voted to oppose a ban on sex-selection abortions.

about the author

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Many people are surprised to learn that on June 18, 2013, Michaud also voted in favor of abortions after 5 months.

His record is certainly outside the norm for most people who want restrictions placed on abortion. According to a May Gallup Poll, only 28 percent of Americans polled believe abortion should be legal under any circumstance. Gallup reports that a whopping 71 percent believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances.

More and more women are turning away from abortion. This downward trajectory reflects a profound shift in changing hearts and minds to choosing life. As abortions in Maine and across our nation decline at historic rates, the pro-abortion movement has doubled down.

Its disciples are threatened by any restrictions on abortion whatsoever. Even moderate candidates who support legislation safeguarding women's health are considered "extremists" who are trying "to deny women access to basic health care," as Planned Parenthood has said.

It's not surprising when you consider the radical philosophy of Margaret Sanger, founder of the organizations that became Planned Parenthood. In 1914, Sanger penned a newsletter titled "The Woman Rebel," which offered birth control information and had the slogan "No Gods. No Masters."

Today, the slogan of "choice" is being replaced with "women's health." Planned Parenthood is evolving once again and re-branding itself to reach a broader audience. And we taxpayers are helping.

Last year, taxpayers donated $540.6 million to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. That's almost $1.5 million in tax dollars every day. So much taxpayer money has been donated to Planned Parenthood that last year it was able to bank $58.2 million in profits. There was even enough left to provide the nonprofit's president with a tidy $523,616 salary.

In Maine, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England launched a so-called innovative social education project aimed at teens titled "A Naked Notion." Through YouTube videos, it educates young people about bondage and other X-rated activities that would make a grown man blush. Their 2013 annual report boasts that the video has received over 1 million views.

Cecile Richards, national president of Planned Parenthood, was scheduled to headline a "Women for Mike" Rally

endorsing Michaud and other like-minded “champions for women’s health” on Aug. 27. The event was postponed and has been rescheduled for Oct. 3.

In the meantime, the abortion giant has promised to unleash an unprecedented $500,000 through its Maine Action Fund PAC to elect extreme candidates like Michaud, fellow Democrat Emily Cain and similar ideologues – including those who support taxpayer funding of abortion, as Michaud did by his vote Jan. 28 against a proposal to bar taxpayer funding for abortion in Obamacare plans.

Wouldn’t it be wonderful if Planned Parenthood and its “champions for women’s health” would consider using some of its profits to “pay it forward” for real health services for women, such as installing mammography equipment at all of its facilities? (Planned Parenthood provides referrals but generally doesn’t provide mammograms.)

Or perhaps some of its profits could be used to provide professional, thorough pre- and post-abortion counseling for women and men who are devastated by a “choice” made in haste, with no 24-hour waiting periods in place. Millions of post-abortive women and men are among the walking wounded in the reproductive rights war.

Our women and children (born and unborn) deserve our best and most compassionate care. The so-called “rights” of abortion have wronged the soul of our nation. No amount of money or rhetoric can justify the taking of innocent human life.

Maine deserves leaders who place people over politics. And we certainly deserve leaders who place people – especially our most vulnerable – over profits.

— *Special to the Press Herald*

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Send questions/comments to the editors.

THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

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(202) 378-8842 WWW.NRLC.ORG

Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

Signature	Print Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number / E-mail Address	18 or Older Y	18 or Older N
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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Media Statement

For Immediate Release: April 29, 2015

Contact: Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director
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(Auburn, ME) As Planned Parenthood of Northern New England celebrates 50 years in operation, we mourn the loss of our innocent, unborn children who have been aborted by Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. To those who respect the most vulnerable in our society, today is a memoriam, not a gala celebration. 94% of Planned Parenthood's prenatal services are abortion. Although Planned Parenthood reports abortion is only a small percentage of their services, abortion represents almost ½ of their clinic income. We don't consider abortion to be prenatal health care. We support non-violent options for an unplanned pregnancy.

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End note:
http://www.sba-list.org/newsroom/press-releases/planned-parenthood-annual-report-fresh-evidence-abortion-centered-profit-dri

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. ~~~Margaret Mead

Portland Press Herald

M.D. Harmon: Unbelievable as it sounds, body parts from abortions change hands

So why is Planned Parenthood getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

BY **M.D. HARMON**

Back in 2009, I wrote a column about the commercialization of body parts "harvested" from aborted babies, but my editor at the time spiked it.

My source was Lifesitenews.com, a website run by pro-life activists, who called Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, "the Amazon of the fetal parts industry."

But my editor told me that was an unreliable source. Apparently, the idea that abortionists would market the heads, torsos, hearts, lungs, livers and other portions of the unborn was an inherently unbelievable idea.

I don't blame my editor for thinking that. I also had difficulty believing such an inhumane atrocity could occur, but the account was well-sourced, and I thought it deserved attention.

To my surprise, however, within a week ABC News actually aired a report substantially affirming Lifesite's account. My boss conceded that if I cited the ABC report, I could publish the column, and I did.

But then the story lay fallow – until a video was released last week showing a top-level Planned Parenthood official discussing ways to "crush" a baby in the womb so as to preserve the valuable parts.

On the video, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, senior director of medical services for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, sips from a glass of wine while telling undercover pro-life activists posing as "customers" from the "Center for Medical Progress" that:

"… You're just kind of cognizant of where you put your graspers, you try to intentionally go above and below the thorax, so that, you know, we've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that, so I'm not gonna crush that part, I'm going to basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact."

This, although federal law says recipients of fetal tissue may have "no part in any decisions as to the timing, method, or procedures used to terminate the pregnancy made solely for the purposes of research."

But media disbelief hasn't vanished. Otherwise, why would the three major networks and CNN fail to mention the video on their Sunday panel shows? (Yes, Fox News covered it. How biased of them.)

Congressional Republicans have vowed an investigation (apparently Democrats there approve of "targeted crushing").

One beneficiary of Planned Parenthood's baby parts largesse is Stem Express, which advertises a price of $24,250 for a vial of 5 million "cryopreserved" fetal liver cells. And in a brochure, it offers clinical researchers "a financial benefit to your clinic" that will insure "fiscal growth."

If this discussion proves nothing else, at least it shows the claim that the unborn are "just masses of tissue" is false. Tissue masses don't have hearts and livers and brains and lungs. Babies do.

Planned Parenthood, which made $1.3 billion last year and got nearly half that amount, $528 million, in state and federal grants (your tax dollars at work), aborted 327,653 babies last year. Still, as its director, Cecile Richards, noted last week, the "transfer" of baby body parts for research remains legal, if patients consent.

However, reimbursements for the "costs" of such transfers apparently remain highly negotiable. Abby Johnson, who ran a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas and wrote a book about it, "Unplanned," told The Washington Times this week that those payments have no legal upper limit and negotiating them is a "subjective" process.

On Tuesday, the activists released a second video (more are said to be on the way), this one showing Dr. Mary Gatter, a medical director at Planned Parenthood centers in California, conducting one of these "subjective" negotiations.

Gatter said she didn't want to "lowball" the price and said she would have to check to see what other centers were charging.

She added that she "wouldn't object" to asking abortionists to use a "less crunchy" vacuum method to help keep organs intact.

However, she noted that could potentially violate the federal agreements that patients and providers must sign, verifying the intent to donate the aborted remains and certifying that abortions yielding research parts are absolutely identical to ones that don't.

But Gatter said, "I think that's a specious little argument," and added, "I don't think our patients would care one iota, so, yeah, I'm not making a fuss about that."

Gatter then told investigators, who offered a $100-per-sample price, "Let me just figure out what others are getting, and if this is in the ballpark, then it's fine, if it's still low, then we can bump it up. I want a Lamborghini."

Then she giggled. Some joke.

In response, Planned Parenthood resorted to a "kill-the-messenger" strategy, trying to spin the videos as "edited and out of context." But the full versions are online, and no one has offered any context to make them less atrocious.

So why is this (multiple adjectives deleted) organization getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

Maine is Choosing Life!

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Abortions-Maine residents	2611	2541	2330	2226	1644
Pregnancies-Maine residents	16787	16208	15843	15236	14404
ME Population, Female age 15-44	253292	250005	245825	241923	239185
U.S. Abortion Ratio	*22.9*	*23.2*	*22.7*		
ME Abortion Ratio/pregnancies, %	15.6	15.7	14.7	14.6	11.4
U.S. Abortion Rate	*15.8*	*15.9*	*15.1*		
ME Abortion Rate /1000 pop	10.3	10.2	9.5	9.2	6.9

- Between 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6% while those choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.
- From 2007- 2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%.
- The overall rate of women age 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3 in 2007 to 6.9 in 2011.

Abortion Rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.
Abortion Ratio is the number of abortions per live births.

The total number of pregnancies is the number of live births, the number of fetal demise, and the number of induced abortion for Maine residents. Abortions that are performed in Maine to non-residents are not included in the calculation.
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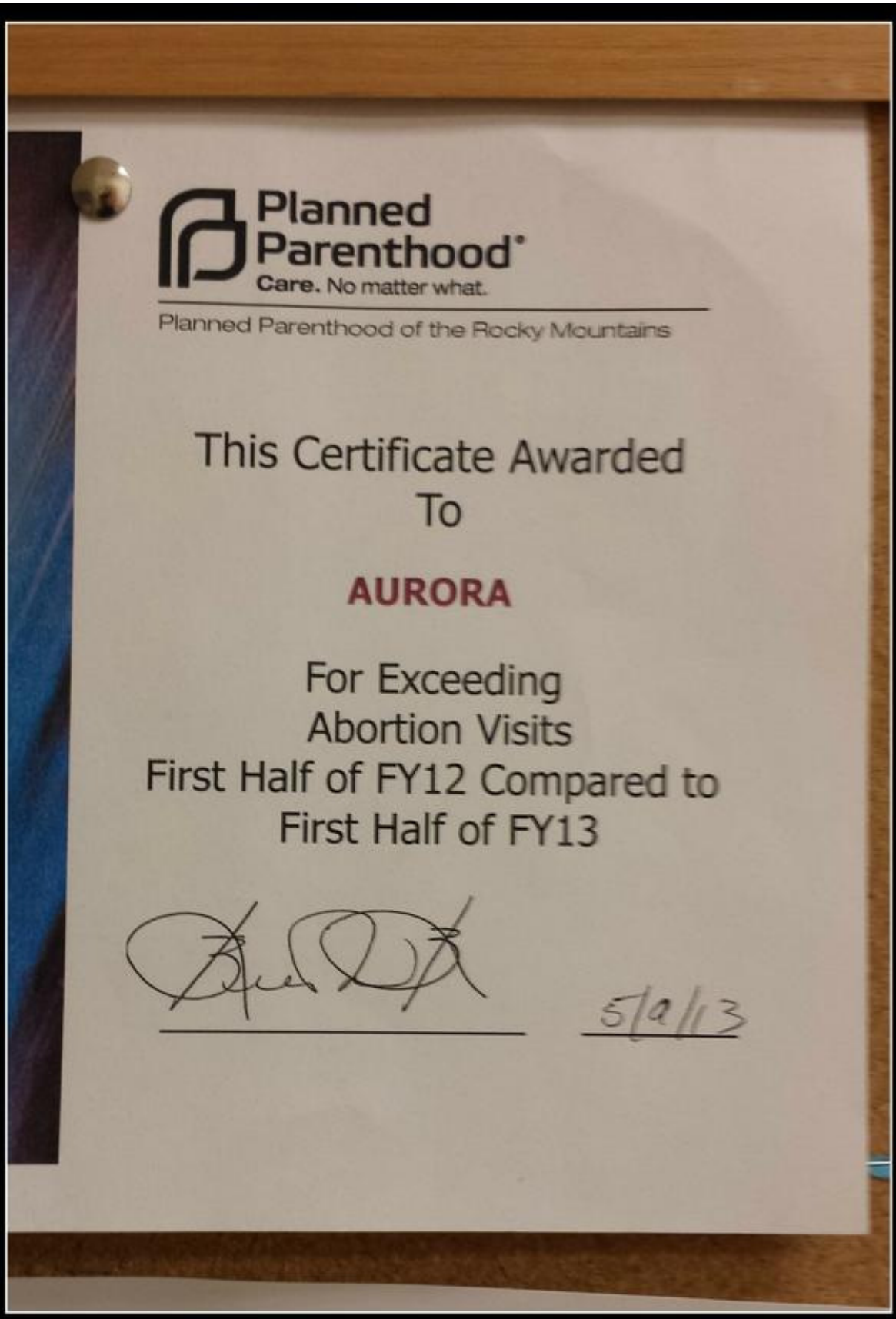


This picture was provided to And Then There Were None by a former Planned Parenthood worker.
www.abortionworker.com

Pro-Life Chalk Talk

Jamie and Jared McCabe
Aged 16 and 14 years old
Pro-Life University Student Presentation
August 2014

I have a story to share with you about a very special person in my life, my grandma. To us known as Grandma Dootise. Grandma Dootise was all love. She loved God, she loved her family, and she loved the sanctity of human life, which led her to serve twenty plus years at Birthright pregnancy center in Hyannis, Massachusetts. Her work was the difference between caring and saying you care, getting your hands dirty and being right on the front line. Because of confidentiality, there were areas of her work she couldn't share with us, but when her day was done her body language would reveal a life given, or a life taken. How far will we go to speak the truth in love? When society has cast out these women, will we be there to hold their hand and declare life?

In 1986, tragedy struck, and a life altering event took place. Grandma Dootsie was diagnosed with breast cancer, and it shook her family to the core. The fragility of life was now coming full circle. Her days were now filled with doctors appointments, medical treatments including chemotherapy, and lots of rest in between. It was a long year, and her family witnessed the physical agony of this disease. This faith walk brought her prayer life to a whole new level. My grandma had a deep relationship with Jesus, and she asked Him to spare her life, and that's just what He did. I was born in 1998, and my brother Jared in 2000. I got to share thirteen wonderful years with her, and Jared 11 years. When my Grandma regained her health, she was right back at Birthright where she belonged, and as a result, I guess we'll never know how many lives God chose to save.

The Bible says in 1 Samuel 2:6. "The Lord kills and makes us alive, He brings down to the grave and brings up." You see, here's the thing, all the money in the world, the best hospitals, the best doctors, the best nurses, the best medical treatment in the world can't save us. They don't get to choose whether we live or die. All power on heaven and earth belong to Him. Ultimately, God is the giver and taker of life.

On my Grandma Dootsie's deathbed I distinctly remember her saying to my brothers and I to get into politics. She was passing the torch to us for the unborn. I hope I'm honoring her request today. Our voice can be power. One pro-life voice left a legacy that changed three generations, and potentially four if I have children.

Men, let's rise up. We will face God someday. What will we say? Are we prepared? What does the bible say about the value of women? In Proverbs 3:15 it states "She is more precious than rubies, and all the things you may desire can not compare to her." Are we devoted to the cause of making women feel safe? Do we treat them with kindness, love, respect? As ambassadors for Christ we are expected to defend the unborn. There is a sense of urgency here. Men, let's remember what God has trusted us with.

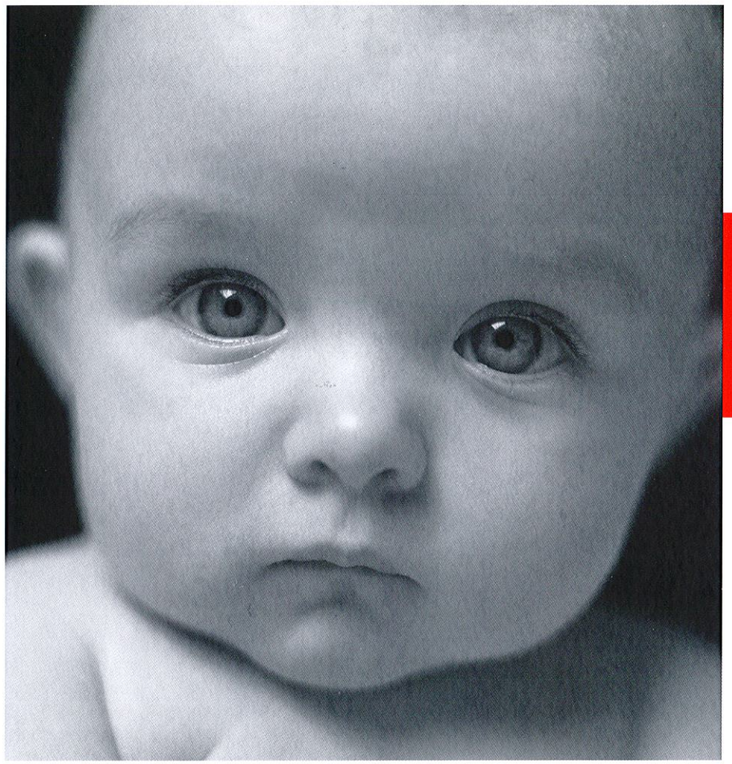
In closing, one thing we can all agree on is Jesus and His great love for us. The cross says it all. He gave everything for us, including His very own life. Are we going to follow his example? Where do you stand?

Where Do the Candidates Stand on Life?

Candidates *By party, in alphabetical order*	Roe v. Wade/Abortion *The 1973 Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton Supreme Court decisions legalized abortion on demand throughout the United States, resulting in more than 57 million abortions since then.*	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act *S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, would prohibit abortions (with narrow exceptions) after the unborn child is capable of feeling pain from abortion.*	Government Funding for Abortion Providers *S. 1881 would end all federal funding of the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood. The money would be given instead to women's health service providers.*
Where Do the Republican Presidential Candidates Stand on Life?			
Jeb Bush (R) *Former Governor of Florida*	Jeb Bush had a strong pro-life record as governor of Florida. *"When we see life not yet born, we should welcome it with love. When we see life compromised by disease or near its natural end, we should treat it as a treasure, not a burden."*	*"I'm pleased to share my support of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which will prevent elective abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy, protecting both unborn children and the health of pregnant women."*	*"As governor of Florida I defunded Planned Parenthood. I created a culture of life. We should, and the next president should defund Planned Parenthood."*
Ben Carson (R) *Former Neurosurgeon*	*"I am unabashedly and entirely pro-life. Human life begins at conception and innocent life must be protected."*	*"I urge our legislators in Congress to swiftly vote on the legislation known as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. It is legislation that values life which in the end is what we are here for."*	*"I'm urging Congress to eliminate every last dime of Planned Parenthood funding."*
Chris Christie (R) *Governor of New Jersey*	*"I am proud to be a pro-life Republican. I believe that every life is an individual gift from God, and that no life is disposable."* *"I just stand on my record. I mean, I'm pro-life."*	*"One proposal that brings Americans together is the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which would protect unborn children beginning at 20 weeks... based on their ability to feel pain."*	*"I defunded Planned Parenthood in New Jersey six years ago. We've defunded it every year for the last six years. Now, with the most recent revelation, there's even more reason not to fund [it]."*
Ted Cruz (R) *U.S. Senator from Texas*	Ted Cruz has a 100% pro-life voting record since joining the Senate in 2013.	*"I remain a strong supporter of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act...and that is an important step in recognizing the sanctity of life."*	*"There is no place for taxpayer funding of organizations that profit from taking away innocent life, much less profiting off the bodies of the lives they have stolen."*
Carly Fiorina (R) *Former Hewlett Packard CEO*	*"I am proudly pro-life. I believe that every human life has potential and that every human life is precious."*	*"I am proud to support the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act and urge both houses of Congress to hold swift votes on this life-saving legislation."*	*"I would vote to defund Planned Parenthood. It doesn't matter if you are pro-choice or pro-life. Every woman, every man has to look at these videos and think, what has gone wrong in our nation?"*
Jim Gilmore (R) *Former Governor of Virginia*	*"After that period of time* [eight weeks] *I think there should be no further abortions."* *"As governor, I won't ask taxpayers to pay for abortions. I won't support late-term abortion, and I'll make sure parents are involved..."*	As governor, Gilmore signed a Partial-Birth Abortion Ban. *"I won't support late-term abortion."*	
Lindsey Graham (R) *U.S. Senator from South Carolina*	Lindsey Graham has a strong pro-life voting record in Congress. *"There is no part of society more vulnerable and in need of our protection than the unborn. The inalienable right to life of every innocent human being is an essential element of a civil society."*	Sen. Graham is the lead sponsor of S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the U.S. Senate.	*"I wholly support the defunding of Planned Parenthood... As president, I pledge I would never send a budget to Capitol Hill that contains a penny of funding for Planned Parenthood."*
Mike Huckabee (R) *Former Governor of Arkansas*	*"As governor, I promoted and signed a fetal protection act...a ban on partial-birth abortion, established waiting periods, created parental notification requirements..."*	*"I am writing to you today to wholeheartedly endorse the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. ...Its passage is an important step in the right direction for our nation."*	*"Enough is enough. Stand with me as we fight to defund Planned Parenthood."*
Bobby Jindal (R) *Governor of Louisiana*	While in the U.S. House of Representatives, Bobby Jindal had a 100% pro-life voting record. As governor, he signed many pro-life laws including a pain-capable unborn child protection law, and an ultrasound law.	*"This legislation* [the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act] *is necessary for protecting unborn children nationwide, at 20 weeks or more postfertilization, from painful abortions."*	Gov. Jindal opened a state investigation into Planned Parenthood and announced the state's termination of the medical agreement with Planned Parenthood, citing their "fundamental disrespect for human life."
John Kasich (R) *Governor of Ohio*	John Kasich had a strong pro-life voting record in the 18 years he served in Congress. As governor, Kasich has signed 16 pro-life laws.	While in the U.S. House of Representatives, Kasich voted in support of the Partial-Birth Abortion Act. As governor, he has signed a law banning abortions after viability.	As governor, Kasich stripped Planned Parenthood funding by $1.4 million.
George Pataki (R) *Former Governor of New York*	George Pataki's record on life is mixed. As a member of the state Assembly, he voted against state funding of abortions. In 1990, he changed his position to "pro-choice" while running for the state Senate. As governor, he supported government funding for abortions.	*"Doctors say that at 20 weeks that is a viable life inside the womb. And at that point, it's a life we have the right to protect, and I think we should protect."*	*"...Roe v. Wade, it's been the law of the land for 42 years and I don't think we should continue to try to change it. But what we can do is defund Planned Parenthood."*

Where Do the Candidates Stand on Life?

Candidates *By party, in alphabetical order*	Roe v. Wade/Abortion *The 1973 Roe v. Wade Doe v. Bolton Supreme Court decisions legalized abortion on demand throughout the United States, resulting in more than 57 million abortions since then.*	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act *S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, would prohibit abortions (with narrow exceptions) after the unborn child is capable of feeling pain from abortion.*	Government Funding for Abortion Providers *S. 1881 would end all federal funding of the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood. The money would be given instead to women's health service providers.*
Rand Paul (R) *U. S. Senator from Kentucky*	Rand Paul has a 100% pro-life voting record since his term began in 2011.	Sen. Paul is a cosponsor of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the 114th Congress. *"I support your efforts to raise awareness of this bill and join your call for consideration in the U.S. Senate."*	He pledged to: *"...do whatever I can to stop them and will introduce an amendment to pending Senate legislation to immediately strip every dollar of Planned Parenthood funding."*
Rick Perry (R) *Former Governor of Texas*	Under Gov. Rick Perry's leadership, Texas passed pro-life legislation including the Women's Right to Know Act, an ultrasound law, a parental consent law, and a law protecting pain-capable babies from abortion.	As governor, Perry signed into law H.R. 2, an omnibus bill which included a ban on abortions after 20 weeks, when the unborn child can feel pain.	*"It is because of stories like this that I signed legislation defunding Planned Parenthood in the state of Texas -- to protect life and the health and safety of Texans."*
Marco Rubio (R) *U. S. Senator from Florida*	Marco Rubio has a 100% pro-life voting record since his term began in 2011. *"The dignity of each and every human life is fundamental."*	Rubio is an original cosponsor of S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the 114th Congress. *"Surely we should aspire to be a nation where we protect unborn babies who can feel pain, respond to touch..."*	*"I am sickened by the complete disregard for innocent unborn life evident at Planned Parenthood. I'm proud that one of my first actions in the Senate was voting to defund this organization."*
Rick Santorum (R) *Former U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania*	Rick Santorum had a strong pro-life voting record throughout his legislative career. In 1997, Santorum led the fight for passage of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, which was signed into law by President G.W. Bush.	*"As a committed pro-life American, I believe this legislation* [the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act] *is an important step towards protecting our nation's unborn children."*	*"...always have been and always will be in favor of defunding Planned Parenthood and their destruction and now exploitation of human life."*
Donald Trump (R) *CEO and Businessman*	*"I'm pro-life but I changed my view a number of years ago. It really, really troubles me, and it really, really bothers me, the whole concept of abortion."*	After consulting with doctors about the partial-birth abortion procedure, Trump concluded that he would support a ban on that method.	Trump has given different statements about defunding Planned Parenthood, saying "absolutely they should be defunded," yet agreeing funding could go to Planned Parenthood's "good aspects".
Scott Walker (R) *Governor of Wisconsin*	*"I was raised to believe in the sanctity of human life and I will always fight to protect it. In my past four years as governor, we have made substantial progress in the fight for our pro-life values in Wisconsin."*	As governor, Walker signed Wisconsin's Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act on July 20, 2015.	*"Practices like this cannot be tolerated, which is why as governor, I defunded Planned Parenthood."*
Where Do the Democratic Presidential Candidates Stand on Life?			
Joe Biden (D) *Vice President*	Joe Biden supports the current policy of abortion on demand. Biden voted for the Harkin Amendment to endorse *Roe v. Wade*, which allows abortion for any reason.	Biden criticized the U.S. Supreme Court majority for upholding the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act in 2007.	August 25, 2008 headline in a Planned Parenthood press release: "Planned Parenthood applauds Barack Obama's choice of Sen. Joe Biden as his vice-presidential nominee."
Lincoln Chafee (I) *Former Governor of Rhode Island*	Lincoln Chafee supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	While in the U.S. Senate, Chafee voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.	Chafee tweeted: *"I support Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood has a long record of helping women."*
Hillary Clinton (D) *Former U.S. Senator from New York*	As a U.S. senator, Hillary Clinton maintained a 0% pro-life record, voting against the pro-life position on every vote. In 2003, Clinton voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, and voted to endorse *Roe v. Wade*, which allows abortion on demand for any reason.	When the U.S. House passed the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act on May 13, 2015, Clinton issued a statement opposing the bill, referring to it as part of a dangerous trend.	Despite disturbing revelations in undercover videos, Clinton reiterated her support for Planned Parenthood. In 2009, Clinton was awarded Planned Parenthood's Margaret Sanger Award.
Martin O'Malley (D) *Former Governor of Maryland*	Martin O'Malley supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	O'Malley supported Maryland's 1992 referendum that declared abortions legal for any reason until the baby is viable.	In April 2014, O'Malley received Planned Parenthood of Maryland's award "for advancing reproductive rights in Maryland."
Bernie Sanders (I) *U. S. Senator from Vermont*	Bernie Sanders has maintained a solid pro-abortion voting record, voting against the pro-life position more than 100 times in his federal legislative career.	Sanders voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act every opportunity he had.	Sanders voted against advancing S. 1881, the bill to ban federal funding of Planned Parenthood. His vote would allow federal funding of Planned Parenthood to continue.
Jim Webb (D) *Former U. S. Senator from Virginia*	Jim Webb had a 0% pro-life voting record in the U.S. Senate, voting 19 of 19 times against the pro-life position.	Webb supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	On April 14, 2011, Webb voted against a bill to cut off federal funding for Planned Parenthood.



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- **Bruce Poliquin** opposes using tax dollars to pay for abortion.
- **Bruce Poliquin** opposes Obamacare, and will work to reverse the pro-abortion and rationing effects of that law.

☐ Emily Cain

- **Emily Cain** supports a policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason, even after 20 weeks, when the baby can feel pain.
- **Emily Cain** supports the use of tax dollars to pay for abortions.
- **Emily Cain** supports Obamacare, which provides government funding for insurance plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will lead to the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments.

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The Committee to Re-Elect Governor Paul LePage
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Dear Governor LePage:

National Right to Life, the federation of state right-to-life organizations, is pleased to endorse you for re-election as governor.

You are a strong advocate for life. You support pro-life legislation, and you oppose the use of tax funds for abortion.

This endorsement reflects your commitment to strengthening a culture of life. We look forward to working with you to protect the most vulnerable members of the human family – unborn children and medically dependent or disabled persons – whose lives are threatened by abortion or euthanasia.

All voters who are concerned with the right to life should vote to re-elect you as governor, so that you can continue to work to advance vital pro-life public policies.

Sincerely,

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M.D. Harmon: Planned Parenthood buffer zone a fundamental threat to liberty

Laws that prevent one side from engaging in civil conversation but permit the other can't be tolerated.

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear."

– George Orwell, original preface to "Animal Farm"

The Portland City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve an ordinance that tells Mr. Orwell where to put his pious declarations about vacuous concepts such as "liberty."

It offers the same message to the Founders, who thought freedom of speech vital enough to protect it in the First Amendment.

However, we are now told, such foolish vaporings should only apply as long as no one objects to them.

Such objectors, who may be made "uncomfortable," "feel bad" or even claim to be "intimidated" by others' speech, now have a veto over their rights.

Such is the case in Portland, where for about 18 months, a dozen or so pro-life advocates have lined a Congress Street sidewalk outside the local offices of Planned Parenthood and held signs and directed comments at that facility's staff and clients.

If, as some patrons and staff claim, such comments are personally condemnatory, I would join in criticizing them. One does not support a moral cause by acting in an immoral manner.

On the other hand, if it is wrong to kill an innocent baby in its mother's womb, it is wrong no matter who says what about it.

And not enough attention has been paid to the organization they are protesting, because Planned Parenthood in America:

• Is the nation's largest abortion provider: In the 2011 fiscal year, it says it performed 333,964 abortions, or one abortion every 94 seconds, totaling more than a third of all "terminations" performed in the United States.

• Claims such procedures amount to only "3 percent" of its activities: But some who are familiar with its procedures, including former clinic director Abby Johnson of Texas, say that it manipulates numbers to minimize what abortion adds to the group's bottom line.

• Operates an extremely lucrative enterprise: Its assets total more than $1.2 billion; its CEO, Cecile Richards, makes nearly $400,000 a year.

• And soaks in taxpayer subsidies: Last year, the group took in $542 million in state and federal grants, even as the sequester was cutting funding for government activities such as the National Park Service, aid to disabled children and the military.

But let's return to "buffer zones." Portland has established a 39-foot exclusionary zone around the organization's office, forcing protesters across the street and preventing conversations with people entering the building.

However, as the Boston Globe's Jeff Jacoby pointed out in a Nov. 10 column, the U.S. Supreme Court is poised to take up McCullen v. Coakley, a Massachusetts suit challenging that state's 35-foot exclusionary zones.

It is, as Jacoby noted, "the strictest such law in the nation. Violators can be punished with up to 30 months in prison and fines of up to $30,000."

That isn't the only high court involvement with this issue. On Tuesday, justices refused on a 5-4 vote to block a Texas law requiring doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital.

The law was based on a Pennsylvania measure enacted after Dr. Kermit Gosnell of Philadelphia was convicted of murdering three babies and involuntary manslaughter in the death of a client.

Abortion supporters said the Texas law would close a third of that state's abortion facilities.

But shouldn't the fact that such sites are obviously staffed by "providers" who lack the qualifications to have clients admitted for hospital care be a more important public concern?

Regarding the protesters, many laws apply to speech-related crimes such as slander, libel and the famous "falsely shouting 'Fire!' in a crowded theater."

Still, laws that block protesters from having a civil conversation with another person on a public sidewalk, while letting clinic staffers speak with whomever they want in the same place, privilege pro-abortion speech and penalize its opposite. That would have driven the Founders bonkers.

As Jacoby said, "A lot of people don't want to hear that abortion is wrong, or to be confronted with images of babies in the womb, or to be reminded that 'choice' is a euphemism for the destruction of human life. Many Americans may find such messages alarming, outrageous, or upsetting, especially when they are directed at girls or women going to get an abortion."

And because they don't want to hear it, they use the power of government against their opponents.

But, Jacoby adds, "the First Amendment wasn't written to shield citizens in public spaces from unpopular or distressing speech. It was written to shield unpopular or distressing speech from being suppressed in public spaces."

Right now, Portland can do what it wants. Sometime next year, though, we may discover that

what it wants to do isn't what the Constitution says it is allowed to do.

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Harvell	Lance	R	398 Knowlton Corner Rd Farmington	04938	(207) 778-2981 lanceharvell@hotmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hayes	Terry	D	P. O. Box 367 Buckfield	04220	(207) 689-5484 terry@megalink.net	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Hickman	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Rd Winthrop	04364	(207) 377-3276 craighickman@rocketmail.com	A	X	X	X	A	✓
Hobbins	Barry	D	22 Glenhaven Circle Saco	04072	(207) 229-8996 bhobbins@hobbinslaw.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
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Johnson	Peter	R	P. O. Box 697 Greenville	04441	(207) 695-2019 rumridge27@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Kent	Peter	D	182 Montsweag Road Woolwich	04579	(207) 442-9255 pskentz5@hotmail.com	A	A	X	X	X	X
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Villa	Lisa	D	P. O. Box 427 Harrison	04040	(207) 712-5222 Villa98staterep@gmail.com	X	A	✓	X	X	X
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Wallace	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street Dexter	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
Weaver	Windol	R	4 Weavers Way York	03909	(207) 363-4641 wcw63@aol.com	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Welsh	Joan	D	54 Sea Street Rockport	04856	(207) 236-6554 joanwelsh08@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Werts	R.	D	556 Pownal Road Auburn	04210	(207) 783-6931 rw556@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Wood	Stephen	R	P. O. Box 927 Sabattus	04280	(207) 740-3723 woodysnavy@aol.com	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓

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Barbara Ford
Executive Director
The Shepherd's Godparent Home, Bangor
Receives 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

(Auburn, ME) Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd's Godparent Home and founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor, has been awarded the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award. The announcement was made at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention held October 18 in Portland. A packed banquet hall responded to the news with a standing ovation. Several members of the Ford family were present for the Award Ceremony including husband of 26 years, Ed Ford; and children: Adam, Alexandra, and Joel. Dr. Jerry Mick of Bangor Baptist Church and his wife Jane were present for the ceremony as well.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life, states, *"Barbara Ford is a tireless leader for unborn babies and their mothers. She says "YES" to life-- with wide, open and supportive arms. Barbara provides young women facing crisis pregnancy with a loving and safe residence at the Shepherd's Godparent Home for the duration of their pregnancies."* Barbara Ford is also the founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor which is a transition apartment for young mothers to take a year to mature with their babies.

Since 1990 Barbara has been a foster parent to over 100 children. She leads by example beginning at home. Barbara Ford is the mother to 6 adopted children and 1 biological child. She believes and supports life at all stages….from being a foster parent…a mother…to being a legal guardian to 2 mentally disabled adults. She is also the Board President of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine.

The prestigious statewide Life Award is presented to a Maine citizen aged 12-100 years old who has consistently demonstrated compassion, leadership, and service for Maine's unborn babies, their moms, and/or the elderly/handicapped.

For the first time in the history of the award, two distinguished members of Maine's legislature submitted nominations for this year's award. Both Maine legislators independently nominated Barbara Ford for the award: Representative Ellie Espling (R) of New Gloucester and Senator David C. Burns (R) of Whiting.

"Barbara Ford shows love, compassion, and respect for young women facing crisis pregnancies by putting her faith in action year after year" said Teresa McCann-Tumidajski. *"There is no more worthy recipient of the 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award than Barbara Ford. She is a beacon of light and hope for countless young mothers in need, She provides love and support for both baby and mother alike, at a time when both are most vulnerable,"* Tumidajski added.

The Patricia DeGrinney Life Award was instituted in honor of a founding member of Maine Right to Life Committee: Patricia DeGrinney. Patricia worked tirelessly for over 40 years to educate women and men

concerning the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. A staunch advocate for the unborn and elderly, Patricia DeGrinney spearheaded many pro-life programs throughout the state of Maine.

Several members of the DeGrinney family were also present for the 2014 Award Ceremony including son John DeGrinney and his wife Gigi, along with granddaughter, Grace.

Former winners of the prestigious statewide Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award are:

2013 Carl Maddaleni, Director of Maine Vitae Society, Cape Elizabeth, ME
2012 Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll of New Harbor, ME
2011 Judy Cushing, Executive Director, ABBA, A Women's Resource Center, Portland, ME
2010 Margaret Yates, RN, of East Wilton, ME
2009 Patricia Truman of Hallowell, ME

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. -----Margaret Mead

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Tuesday, July 1, 2014

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Re: *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*

National Right to Life Analysis:

Narrow Supreme Court decision in Hobby Lobby underscores deeper abortion-expanding aspects of Obamacare

The National Right to Life Committee, the nation's oldest and largest pro-life organization, today released the following analysis of yesterday's U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby.* Any part of the following analysis may be attributed to National Right to Life.

The ruling provides a modest victory for religious conscience rights. However, as explained further below, the ruling does not truly correct any of the major abortion-expanding problems created by Obamacare.

The five-justice majority rejected the Obama Administration's attempt to force family-owned for-profit corporations to directly purchase health insurance covering certain drugs and devices that violate the employer's religious and moral beliefs. The Court held that this application of a provision of Obamacare violates a federal statute, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The Court's majority recognized the gravity of the moral and religious objections raised by Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Wood Specialties in this case.

However, the Court left open the possibility that those objections might be satisfactorily resolved by a government mandate ("accommodation") that these employers' insurance carriers pay directly for

the same drugs and devices. This leaves unresolved the status of many entities (including religiously affiliated schools, charities, and hospitals) with sincere religiously based objections to providing specific drugs and devices, who regard a federal mandate that requires them to take action to require their insurance carrier to carry out the same ends as differing only in form and not in substance from the original mandate.

Moreover, regardless of how the scope of the "accommodation" is defined by future rulemaking and litigation, it is difficult to discern what would prevent HHS from issuing a further expansion of its "preventive services" mandate to require that most employers also provide coverage for surgical abortions, or for doctor-prescribed suicide, that would be just as expansive as the contraceptive mandate.

In short, even with respect only to the "preventive services" component of Obamacare, the Court's ruling in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* comes nowhere near to correcting the heart of the problem, which is the overly expansive authority that the Obamacare law itself provides to HHS to define "preventive services." The other major abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare, including the massive tax subsidies that will assist millions of Americans to purchase health plans that cover elective abortion, were not even issues in the cases just decided.

Only comprehensive legislative reform can cure the multiple abortion-expanding components of Obamacare – and such reform can only be accomplished with new leadership in the U.S. Senate and in the White House.

During the congressional debate over Obamacare, National Right to Life continuously warned against the abortion-expanding and health care rationing provisions of the bill. An archive of documents related to the abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare is available here: http://www.nrlc.org/federal/ahc/obamalaw/. In March, National Right to Life's Robert Powell Center for Medical Ethics issued a report on how Obamacare is rationing access to life-preserving medical treatment, "The Affordable Care Act and Health Care Access in the United States" which is available here (with other supporting materials): http://www.nrlc.org/communications/healthcarereport.

For interviews on this analysis, or the abortion-expanding and rationing provisions of Obamacare, please contact the NRLC Communications Department at (202) 626-8825 or mediarelations@nrlc.org.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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District	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Party	ADDRESS / CITY	ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	LD 1247, "An Act to Expand Coverage of Family Planning Services" (March 2014)	LD 1428, "An Act to Protect Religious Freedom" (February 2014)	LD 1065, "An Act Regarding Patient-directed Care at the End of Life" (June 2013)	LD 760, "An Act Regarding Informed Consent to an Abortion" (June 2013)	LD 1193, "An Act To Allow a Wrongful Death Cause of Action for the Death of an Unborn Child" (June 2013)	LD 1339, "An Act To Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors" (June 2013)
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29	Burns	David	R	159 Dodge Rd. Whiting	04691	SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov 207-733-8856	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
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15	Cleveland	John	D	201 Main St. Auburn	04210	senjohn.cleveland@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
2	Collins	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Rd. Wells	04090	rcollins7@maine.rr.com 207-985-2485	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
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21	Flood	Patrick	R	56 Wedgewood Dr. Winthrop	04364	SenPatrick.Flood@legislature.maine.gov 207-395-4915	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
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13	Hamper	James	R	1023 King St. Oxford	04270	senatorhamp@gmail.com 207-539-4586	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
9	Haskell	Anne	D	31 Higgins St. Portland	04101	annehask@maine.rr.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
1	Hill	Dawn	D	PO Box 701 Cape Neddick	03902	SenDawn.Hill@Legislature.maine.gov 207-337-3689	X	X	—	X	X	X
35	Jackson	Troy	D	167 Allagash Rd. Allagash	04774	SenTroy.Jackson@legislature.maine.gov 207-436-0763	X	X	—	✓	✓	X
20	Johnson	Christopher	D	3230 Turner Ridge Rd. Somerville	04341	senchris.johnson@legislature.maine.gov 207-549-3358	X	X	—	X	X	X
24	Katz	Roger	R	3 Westview St. Augusta	04330	SenRoger.Katz@legislature.maine.gov 207-485-2394	X	✓	—	X	✓	X
25	Lachowicz	Colleen	D	One Kelsey St., #2 Waterville	04901	sencolleen.lachowicz@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
28	Langley	Brian	R	11 South St. Ellsworth	04605	SenBrian.Langley@legislature.maine.gov 207-667-0625	X	✓	—	X	X	X
17	Mason	Garrett	R	312 Ridge Rd. Lisbon Falls	04252	SenGarrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov 207-577-1521	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
22	Mazurek	Edward	D	65 Beech St. Rockland	04841	edmazurek1@aol.com 207-594-5647	X	X	—	X	X	X
7	Millett	Rebecca	D	12 Waumbek Rd. Cape Elizabeth	04107	senrebeccamillett@gmail.com 207-415-3903	X	X	—	X	X	X
14	Patrick	John	D	206 Strafford Ave. rumford	04276	johnpat2000@hotmail.com 207-364-7666	X	X	—	X	X	X
12	Plummer	Gary	R	248 Gray Rd. Windham	04062	senG.plummer@legislature.maine.gov 207-892-6088	✓	✓	—	✓	X	X
18	Saviello	Thomas	R	60 Applegate Ln. Wilton	04294	drtom16@hotmail.com 207-645-3420	X	✓	—	✓	✓	X
34	Sherman	Roger	R	PO Box 682 Houlton	04730	Senroger.sherman@legislature.maine.gov 207-532-7073	A	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
23	Thibodeau	Michael	R	169 Coles Corner Rd. Winterport	04496	senatorthibodeau@aol.com 207-223-5177	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
27	Thomas	Douglas	R	306 Stream Rd. Ripley	04643	firewood@tds.net 207-277-3017	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
3	Tuttle	John	D	176 Cottage St. Sanford	04073	SenJohn.Tuttle@legislature.maine.gov c/o 207-287-1515	X	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
5	Valentino	Linda	D	PO Box 1049 Saco	04072	senatorvalentino@gmail.com c:207-205-0077	X	X	—	X	X	X

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19	Vitelli	Eloise	D	73 Newtown Rd. Arrowsic	04530	senEloise.vitelli@legislature.maine.gov 207-798-1290	X	X	—	—	—	—
26	Whittemore	Rodney	R	PO Box 96 Skowhegan	04976	rodwhittemore@gmail.com 207-474-6703	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓
11	Woodbury	Richard	U	174 Oakwood Dr. Yarmouth	04096	Dick@dickwoodbury.com c/o 207-287-1515	X	X	—	X	X	X
31	Youngblood	Edward	R	735 N. Main St. Brewer	04412	edmyoungblood@gmail.com 207-989-3303	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

2014 PRO-LIFE VOTER GUIDE

Maine Right to Life Committee (MRLC) is the state affiliate of National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

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Gubernatorial and U.S. Congressional Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR				
	I	Eliot Cutler	Cape Elizabeth	Pro-Abortion
	R	Paul LePage	Augusta	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
	D	Michael Michaud	East Millinocket	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES SENATE				
	D	Shenna Bellows	Manchester	Pro-Abortion. Endorsed by Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
	R	Susan Collins	Bangor	Mixed voting record
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES CONGRESS				
1	R	Isaac Misiuk	Gorham	Pro-Life
1	I	Richard Murphy	Sanford	Pro-Life. *"I don't agree with the Roe v. Wade decision." (MPBN 1st Congressional District Debate)*
1	D	Chellie Pingree	North Haven	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC
2	D	Emily Cain	Orono	Pro-Abortion voting record. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Feminist Majority PAC, Emily's List
2	R	Bruce Poliquin	Oakland	Pro-Life. Endorsed by National Right to Life Committee
2	I	Blaine Richardson	Belfast	Pro-Life

Questions for State Legislative Candidates

ABORTION

1. Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe that abortion should be legal?
   A. If a woman chooses abortion, for any reason, throughout pregnancy.
   B. If the abortion is performed in the first trimester of pregnancy.
   C. If the baby was conceived through rape or incest.
   D. If the baby has a handicap or defect.
   E. If a woman wants to insure the specific gender of the fetus.
   F. I am opposed to abortion, except to save the LIFE of the mother.
2. Would you support legislation requiring that a woman considering abortion be...
   A. Fully informed of the risks & alternatives prior to the procedure including a 24-hour waiting period and information on fetal development?
   B. Be offered (not required) to view a Fetal Monitor/live Ultrasound prior to an abortion?
3. Would you oppose legislation in which Title X taxpayer dollars are used to fund Planned Parenthood?
4. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification prior to dispensing contraceptives/birth control Rx's to minors through the school system?
5. Would you support a ban on the use of baby body parts (fetal tissue) taken from the victims of abortions for experimentation or scientific research?
6. Would you support legislation requiring parental notification for minor-aged children seeking an abortion?
7. Would you support legislation requiring abortion facilities to have the same level of medical oversight and regulations as is required for other Maine ambulatory surgical facilities? If NO, why not?
8. Would you support Wrongful Death legislation for a parent whose unborn, viable fetus was killed as the result of negligence by another?

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9. Would you vote to oppose legislation similar to Oregon/Washington/Vermont policy that would impose rationing that intentionally denies treatment on the basis of disability, degree of medical necessity, or quality of life of those denied treatment?
10. Do you oppose legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide?

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
1	R	Peter Edgecomb	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*Undecided.* **Pro-life voting record.**
1	D	Charles Kenneth Theriault	Madawaska	N	N	N	N	N	Y*	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"I am opposed to abortion except to save the life of the mother."
2	D	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
2	R	Michael J. Willette	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
3	D	Craig J. Heavey	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	R	Rodney L. Whittemore	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	R	Paul T. Davis, Sr.	Sangerville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
4	D	David F. Ziemer	Orneville Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	D	James F. Dill	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
5	R	Wanda L. Lincoln	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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6	R	David C. Burns	Whiting	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I believe that #1F is an excuse for aborting a baby when other measures are available.*"
6	D	Anne C. Perry	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
7	D	Theodore S. Koffman	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
7	R	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
8	D	Paul P. Davis	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
8	R	Edward M. Youngblood	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
9	D	Geoffrey M. Gratwick	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
9	R	Cary M. Weston	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
10	R	Andre E. Cushing, III	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
10	D	Jaric T. Fontaine	Hampden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
11	D	Jonathan S. Fulford	Monroe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
11	R	Michael D. Thibodeau	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
12	D	David R. Miramant	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
12	R	Paula G. Sutton	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
13	R	Leslie T. Fossel	Alna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
13	D	Christopher K. Johnson	Somerville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
14	D	David W. Bustin	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
14	R	Earle L. McCormick	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
14	U	Gary A.Quintal	West Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
15	D	Anna D. Blodgett	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey
15	R	Roger J. Katz	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
16	R	Alek J. Fortier	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
16	D	Colleen M. Lachowicz	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
17	D	Joanne F.Dunlap	Rangeley Plantation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
17	R	Thomas B.Saviello	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	R	L. Gary Knight	Livermore Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
18	D	John L. Patrick	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	James M. Hamper	Oxford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
19	D	Rose K. Rogers-Wells	Brownfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
20	R	Eric L. Brakey	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
20	D	John J. Cleveland	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey.Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC

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21	R	Patricia J. Gagne	Lewiston	N	N	N	N	N	?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"From conception to natural death, I support life!"*
21	D	Nathan L. Libby	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	D	Guy P. Desjardins	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
22	R	Garrett P. Mason	Lisbon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
23	R	Linda L. Baker	Topsham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
23	G	Alice E. Knapp	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
23	D	Eloise A. Vitelli	Arrowsic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
24	D	Stanley J. Gerzofsky	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
24	G	K. Frederick Horch	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
24	R	Jennifer L. Johnson	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
25	D	Catherine Breen	Falmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
25	R	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
26	R	David T. Call	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
26	D	G. William Diamond	Windham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
27	D	Justin L. Alfond	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
27	R	Peter I. Doyle	Portland	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would always support legislation that protects a mother and her unborn child and helps her to always choose life!"*
27	G	Asher D. Platts	Portland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	N	—	N	*"That would reduce availability to hospitals and shut down abortion clinics." "I support abortion on demand, without appology." "END THE WAR ON WOMEN."*
28	D	Anne M. Haskell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
28	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
28	G	Danielle V. Unterreiner	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
29	G	Mark D. Diehl	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
29	D	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
29	R	John F. Ridge	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
30	D	James A. Boyle	Gorham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
30	R	Amy F. Volk	Scarborough	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
31	R	Michael E. Coleman	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Linda M. Valentino	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
32	R	James W. Booth	Arundel	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a real Catholic."* Pro-life voting record
32	D	David E Dutremble	Biddeford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
33	R	Adam L. McGee	Sanford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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33	D	John L. Tuttle	Sanford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
34	F	Richard J. Burns	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
34	R	Ronald F. Collins	Wells	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record**. Did not return survey
34	D	Gary A. Connor	Kennebunk	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
35	D	Dawn Hill	York	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
35	R	Windol C. Weaver	York	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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1	D	Deane Rykerson	Kittery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
1	R	Jeffrey W. Pelletier	Kittery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
2	D	Roberta B. Beavers	South Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
2	R	Moynahan	Eliot	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	D	Lydia Blume	York	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
3	R	Arthur Kyricos	York	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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5	D	Joshua R. Plante	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
5	R	Beth A. O'Connor	Berwick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
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7	R	Robert A. Foley	Wells	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
8	D	Christopher W. Babbidge	Kennebunk	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
8	R	Edward Karytko	Kennebunk	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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10	D	Amy J. Davidoff	Arundel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
10	R	Wayne R. Parry	Arundel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
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12	U	Barbra Jean Thompson	Biddeford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
13	D	George W. Hogan	Old Orchard Beach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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14	R	Daphne G. Warren	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
15	D	Justin M. Chenette	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
15	R	Carol A. Patterson	Saco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
16	D	Ronald E. Usher	Buxton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
16	R	Donald G. Marean	Hollis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
17	D	Elaine Marie Plourde	Lyman	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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18	R	Gordon E. Frohloff	Sanford	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
19	D	William F. Noon	Sanford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
19	R	Matthew A. Harrington	Sanford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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21	I	James J. Campbell, Sr.	Newfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
21	R	Frank L. Boucher	Limerick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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22	R	Jonathan L. Kinney	Limington	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	—	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	**Pro-life voting record**
23	D	Michael A. Shaw	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
23	G	Michael Wakefield	Standish	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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28	D	Dwight H. Ely	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
28	R	Heather W. Sirocki	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
29	D	Paul Aranson	Scarborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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30	D	Kimberly Monaghan-Derrig	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
30	R	Pauline S. Wilcox	Cape Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
31	D	Terry K. Morrison	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
32	D	Scott M. Hamann	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
33	D	Rosemarie De Angelis	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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33	R	Kevin J. Battle	South Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
34	D	Drew M. Gattine	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
34	R	Rose Marie Russell	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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35	R	Emily Sarah Downing	Westbrook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
36	D	Denise Patricia Harlow	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
36	G	Samuel K. Chandler	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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37	D	Richard R. Farnsworth	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
37	R	Jonathan Pfaff	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
38	D	Matthew W. Moonen	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
38	R	Thomas Joseph Loring	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
39	D	Diane M. Russell	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
39	G	Lauren Marie Besanko	Portland	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	?	N	N	N	*"Physician Assisted Suicide would be highly regulated and only with informed consent." "I' support abortion except when the fetus is old enough to live outside the womb…approx. 24 weeks."*
40	D	Herbert C. Adams	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
40	I	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
40	R	Mark A. Lockman	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record**. Did not return survey
41	D	Erik C. Jorgensen	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
41	R	James H. Azzola	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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42	R	Marc M. Lamontagne	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
43	D	Mark N. Dion	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
43	R	Shannon Rafferty-Roy	Portland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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46	D	Anne P. Graham	North Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
46	R	Paul Chace	Durham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
47	D	Janice E. Cooper	Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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50	D	Ralph L. Tucker	Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
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52	D	Jennifer L. DeChant	Bath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
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54	R	Kim J. Talbot	Topsham	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
55	D	Alice D. Elliott	Richmond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
55	R	Brian D. Hobart	Bowdoinham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
56	R	Dale J. Crafts	Lisbon	N	N	N	N	N	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I would need more info before I could decide." **Pro-life voting record**
57	D	Katherine E. Ver Sluis	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
57	R	Stephen J. Wood	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
58	D	Michel A. Lajoie	Lewiston	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Pro-abort voting record

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58	R	Luke D. Jensen	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	D	Margaret R. Rotundo	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
59	R	James W. Sorcek	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	D	Jared F. Golden	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
60	R	Leslie T. Dubois	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	D	Heidi E. Brooks	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	R	Brian Wood	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
61	U	Mark A. Cayer	Lewiston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	D	Gina M. Melaragno	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	R	Brandon Eli Dickey	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
62	U	John M. Michael	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
63	D	R. Wayne Werts	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
63	R	Bruce A. Bickford	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Mixed voting record
64	D	Bettyann Watson Sheats	Auburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
64	R	David P. Sawicki	Auburn	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I believe life begins at conception. We are called to protect life at all stages."*
65	D	Rosa Van Wie	New Gloucester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
65	R	Eleanor M. Espling	New Gloucester	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "In cases of rape, incest and life of the mother, I would hope a woman would choose to keep her baby but I hesitate to outlaw abortion in all those cases. Each situation is different."
66	D	Mary-Vienessa Fernandes	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	G	Lisa H. Willey	Casco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
66	R	Michael D. McClellan	Raymond	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** "*I support Maine Right to Life 100%*."
67	D	Bonnie Titcomb Lewis	Raymond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
67	R	Susan M. Austin	Gray	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"*Except in the case of rape and incest."*
68	D	Christine B. Powers	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
68	R	John M. Nostin	Naples	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
69	D	Lisa Renee Villa	Harrison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
69	R	Phyllis A. Ginzler	Bridgton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
70	D	Helen Rankin	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
70	R	Nathan J. Wadsworth	Hiram	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	D	Dennise Dullea Whitley	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
71	R	Tom J. Winsor	Norway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
72	D	James F. Bradley	Mechanic Falls	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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72	R	Kathleen RJ Dillingham	Oxford																	Candidate responded in narrative manner. Contact Maine Right to Life for full answers.
73	D	Robert Kirchherr	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
73	R	Lloyd C. Herrick	Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
74	D	Paul E. Gilbert	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
74	R	C. Harvey Calden	Jay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	D	Charles F. Dingman	Leeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
75	R	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
75	U	Gerard R. Tardif	Sabattus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	D	Richard H. C. Tracy	Rome	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
76	R	Gary L. Hilliard	Belgrade	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
77	D	Alan B. Tibbetts	Sidney	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
77	R	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
78	D	Catherine M. Nadeau	Winslow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
78	R	Susan Ellen Morissette	Winslow	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
79	D	Cristina L. Evers	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
79	R	Timothy S. Theriault	China	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
80	D	Lori A. Fowle	Vassalboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
80	R	Ray L. Bates	Windsor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
81	D	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
81	R	Lee T. Fellman	Readfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	D	Rachel L. Sukeforth	Litchfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
82	R	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales	N	N	Y	N	N	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I consider myself to be pro-life except in **extreme** cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the mother's life."
83	D	Gay M. Grant	Gardiner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
83	R	Curtis C. Ayotte	Farmingdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	D	Charlotte May Warren	Hallowell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
84	R	Darrick X. Banda	Manchester	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	D	Donna R. Doore	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
85	R	Kimberly Jeanne Davis	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	D	Monica L. Castellanos	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
86	R	Matthew G. Pouliot	Augusta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
87	D	Timothy I. Marks	Pittston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey

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87	R	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am a Catholic."*
88	R	Deborah J. Sanderson	Chelsea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
89	R	Stephanie Hawke	Boothbay Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
89	U	Willliam H. Coombs	Edgecomb	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
90	D	Michael G. Devin	Newcastle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
90	R	Anna Morkeski	Damariscotta	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
91	R	Ellen A. Winchenbach	Waldoboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
91	U	Jeffrey Evangelos	Friendship	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	D	Chuck Kruger	Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
92	R	Sonja Sleeper	South Thomaston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
93	D	Elizabeth E. Dickerson	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
93	R	James Michael Kalloch	Rockland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	D	Joan W. Welsh	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
94	R	Ronald J. Bovasso	Camden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
94	U	Owen David Casas	Rockport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	G	Randall A. Parr	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	R	Wesley E. Richardson	Warren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
95	U	Christian William Neils	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
95	U	Gary E. Sukeforth	Appleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	D	Christine S. Burstein	Lincolnville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
96	R	Peter Weston	Montville	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
97	D	Erin D. Herbig	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Absent/Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
97	G	Paige Katharine Brown	Northport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
97	R	Benjamin L. Bryant	Belfast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
98	R	James S. Gillway	Searsport	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
98	U	Joseph E. Brooks	Winterport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	D	Brian L. Jones	Freedom	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
99	R	MaryAnne Kinney	Knox	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am opposed to abortion period."*
100	D	Frederick H. Austin	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
100	R	Kenneth Wade Fredette	Newport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
100	U	David L. Bright	Dixmont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
101	D	James E. Davitt	Hampden	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N*	Y	Y	N	**"This would appear to be unconstitutional." "This is a very one-sided poll. In many questions there is no simple yes or no.'*

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101	R	Brian M. Duprey	Hampden	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
102	R	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record.** *"Thanks for all you do!"*
103	D	Mary E. Sharkus	Hermon	—	—	Y	—	—	—	Y	—	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	*"This is not a yes or no answer."
103	R	Roger E. Reed	Carmel	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
104	D	David B. Pearson	Dexter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
104	R	Raymond A. Wallace	Dexter	N	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
105	D	Daniel S. Swain	Canaan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
105	R	Joel R. Stetkis	Canaan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	?*	*"I don't know enough about this issue to make an informed decision."
106	D	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mixed voting record. Did not return survey
106	R	Scott Walter Strom	Pittsfield	N	N	—	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I have been pro-life my whole life. This was the first issue that pushed me to be a Republican."*
107	D	Jeff M. McCabe	Skowhegan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
107	R	Timothy S. Amadon	Skowhegan	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
108	D	Karen Kusiak	Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
108	R	John Joseph Picchiotti	Fairfield	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
109	D	Thomas R. W. Longstaff	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	D	Henry E. M. Beck	Waterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
110	R	Mark Richard Andre	Oakland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
111	D	Ann E. Dorney	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
111	R	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	D	Jack W. Frost, Jr.	Anson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
112	R	Thomas H. Skolfield	Weld	—	Y	Y	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	—	Y	
113	D	Edward S. David	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
113	R	Andrew Russell Buckland	Farmington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	D	Guy A. Iverson	Chesterville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
114	R	Russell J. Black	Wilton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
115	D	Matthew J. Peterson	Rumford	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
115	R	Terrence L. Magee	Woodstock	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	*"This depends on who is paying. If a person who smokes, drinks, and uses drugs wants a new liver, I would have a hard time justifying the state pay for it."
116	D	Malcolm M. Gill	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
116	R	Richard A. Pickett	Dixfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
117	D	Callie Pecunies	Albany Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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117	R	Frances M. Head	Bethel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	D	Matthew J. Quinn	Cornville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
118	R	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
119	R	Paul A. Stearns	Guilford	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
120	D	Donald James Crossman	Milo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
120	R	Norman E. Higgins	Dover-Foxcroft	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
121	D	Robert S. Duchesne	Hudson	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
121	R	Douglas A. Smith	Corinth	—	—	—	—	—	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
122	D	Michelle Ann Dunphy	Old Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
122	R	John M. Nuttall	Old Town	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
123	D	Ryan D. Tipping-Spitz	Orono	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
123	R	Andrew James Bracy	Orono	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	"*Personally against abortion, but it is not my decision to make for other people.*"
124	D	Aaron M. Frey	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
124	R	Colby B. Civiello	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
125	D	Victoria P. Kornfield	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
125	R	Gary E. Capehart	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
126	D	John C. Schneck	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
126	R	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
127	D	Adam A. Goode	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
127	R	James V. Lacadie	Bangor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
128	D	Arthur C. Verow	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
128	R	Gail M. Sheehan	Brewer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	D	Teresa Montague	Clifton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
129	R	Peter A. Lyford	Eddington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	D	Emery A. Deabay	Bucksport	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
130	R	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	D	Veronica Garvey Magnan	Stockton Springs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
131	R	Karleton S. Ward	Dedham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
132	D	Louis J. Luchini	Ellsworth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
132	R	R. Frederick Ehrlenbach	Trenton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
133	D	Ralph Chapman	Brooksville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record Did not return survey. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood of ME PAC
133	R	Susan M. Walsh	Blue Hill	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE ANSWERS				N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE STANCE
134	D	Walter A. Kumiega III	Deer Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
134	R	Frank L. Stanley	Tremont	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
135	D	Brian L. Hubbell	Bar Harbor	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record. Did not return survey
135	R	Maurice Joseph Marshall	Lamoine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	D	Elizabeth A. Allen	Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
136	R	Richard S. Malaby	Hancock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
137	D	Oscar F. Emerson	Bradley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
137	R	Lawrence E. Lockman	Amherst	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
138	D	Robert W. Alley, Sr.	Beals	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
138	R	Richard O. Paul	Addison	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
139	D	Katherine W. Cassidy	Lubec	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Pro-abort voting record / Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
139	R	William R. Tuell	East Machias	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	D	Harold Roy Clark, Jr.	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
140	R	Joyce A. Maker	Calais	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
141	R	Beth P. Turner	Burlington	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
142	R	Sheldon Mark Hanington	Lincoln	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
143	D	Stephen S. Stanley	Medway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
143	R	Debbi J. Perkins	Millinocket	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	D	George T. Schools	Houlton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
144	R	Roger L. Sherman	Hodgdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey
145	D	Glenn M. Hines	Hammond	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
145	R	Ricky D. Long	Sherman	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	**Pro-life voting record**
146	D	Troy A. Haines	Mapleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
146	R	Dustin Michael White	Washburn	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
147	D	Robert J. Saucier	Presque Isle	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mostly Pro-abort voting record/Opposed to Physician Assisted Suicide. Did not return survey
147	R	Larry K. Fox	Presque Isle	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"I am strongly pro-life and will rigorously support that position."*
148	D	Alan D. Whittemore	Limestone	*	*	*	*	*	*	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	**	N	*"I support the federal laws of the U.S." **"Need more information." "When right-to-lifers choose to care as much about the children already born and living in poverty as much as you do about abortion, we will have gained in society."*
148	R	Anthony J. Edgecomb	Fort Fairfield	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
148	U	Gregory Alan Ward	Limestone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
149	R	Carol A. McElwee	Caribou	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
150	D	Roland Daniel Martin	Sinclair Township	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey

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150	R	Craig M. Lawrence	Frenchville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Did not return survey
151	D	John L. Martin	Eagle Lake	N	N	?	N	N	Y	Y	?	Y	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	*"If in care of their parents." **Pro-life voting record**
151	R	Allen Michael Nadeau	Fort Kent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**Pro-life voting record.** Did not return survey

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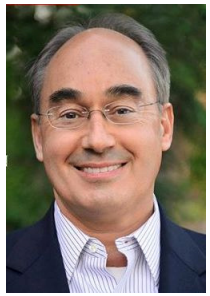

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

	Name of Legislation	Voted	Score
Passed	Passage of pro-life reconciliation bill (defund Planned Parenthood) 10/23/15	Y	√
Passed	Womens Public Health and Safety Act (Medicaid state flexibility) 09/29/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Defund Planned Parenthood Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 09/18/15	Y	√
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	Y	√
Failed	Motion to add open-ended "health" exception to 20-week abortion ban 05/13/15	N	√
Passed	To block the D.C. "Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act" (RHNDA) 04/30/15	Not Voting	Not Scored
Passed	Repeal of the Obamacare health care law 02/03/15	N	X
Passed	No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) 01/22/15	Y	√

√ = Voted For Us X = <u>Voted Against Us</u>

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Things to Consider:

Panic will work against you.
Take a deep breath and relax. Give yourself the chance to make a thoughtful and purposeful decision about what **YOU** want.
TheUnChoice.com reports that about 64% of those who have an abortion felt pressured by others into making that decision.

Are you making an informed choice?
Be medically aware:
-Do you know the specific actions the doctor will perform on your body?

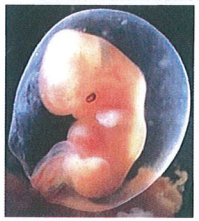
-Are you prepared for the risks of the procedure during and after and what follow-up will they provide?

-If you have had an ultrasound done, have you viewed the image of your baby? It is your legal right.

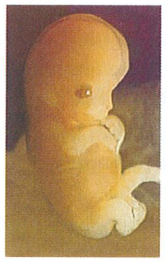
Be emotionally aware:
-Are you aware of the psychological consequences of an abortion you may experience immediately after or for the rest of your life?

Your Baby Is...

Day 1 (Fertilization) - already a unique human being with a specific set of chromosomes (DNA).



Day 22 (3 weeks) - growing rapidly and has a heartbeat.



Week 7 - kicking and Swimming

Week 8 - hearing your voice.

Week 12 - sucking his /her thumb and can feel pain.

There are risks to abortion.
A surgical abortion takes only 10 minutes, but its effects can last a lifetime.

There is an increased risk of future miscarriage.

There are also increased risks of premature births and Breast Cancer.

Many women suffer flashbacks, anxiety attacks, and have trouble sleeping.

Depression or thoughts of suicide are often experienced by women who choose abortion.

Problems bonding with current and future children are common.

We can help you care for your baby or arrange an Adoption Plan.

OPTIONS

The decision you are making will alter your life forever. Get all the information you need to make an informed decision for yourself and your unborn child.

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Ignorance and fear restrict your best thinking.

Learn your Options. Relax and take a deep breath.

Don't let yourself feel intimidated or rushed by a spouse or partner.

The world is filled with possibilities.

There is Hope. We are here for you.

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Free Maine Resources

Southern Maine

Portland

- ABBA—A Women's Resource Center (207) 253-5555 or text (207) 200-5746 www.abbapregnancychoice.org answergirl@abbapregnancychoice.org
- Catholic Charities Maine-Birthline 1-800-781-8550 x2672 psm@ccmaine.org www.ccmaine.org/psm
- Project Rachel, Diocese of Portland (207)321-7885 annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org

Sanford

- Alpha Pregnancy Resource Ctr. (207) 324-5752 alpha@gwi.net www.alphapregnancyhelp.com

Biddeford

- St. Andre Home, Inc. office (207) 282-3351 or 1-844-300-LOVE (5683) www.saintandrehome.org pregnancysupport@saintandrehome.org
- New Hope Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 571-HOPE (4673) newhopepregnancyresourceter@gmail.com www.newhopepregnancyresourcecenter.com

Dover, NH

- Options for Women Pregnancy Health Center & Clinic (603) 749-4441 www.optionsforwomen.org

Central Maine

Augusta

- Open Arms Pregnancy Center (207) 620-1600 info@openarmspc.org www.openarmspc.org

Waterville

- First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 872-5070 firstchoicepregnancyctr@yahoo.com www.firstchoicepregnancycenter.org

Lewiston/Mechanic Falls

- Hope House's Family Support Ctr (207) 577-1165 hopehouse17@gmail.com www.hopehousemaine.com

Brunswick

- Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine (207) 725-5433 www.carenetme.org thecenter@carenetme.org

Fryeburg

- Mother Seton House (207) 935-1066 info@mothersetonhouse.com www.mothersetonhouse.com

Rockland

- Care Net Crisis Pregnancy Center (207) 594-1616 carenet@midcoast.com www.carenetofrockland.com

Northern Maine

Bangor

- First Step Pregnancy Resource Center (207) 942-1611 firststeppregnancy@msn.com www.firststeppregnancy.com
- The Shepherd's Godparent Home (207) 947-9220 Crisis line: 949-CARE (2273) www.godparenthome.org

Aroostook County

- Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook— 1-800-300-0220 Locations: **Fort Kent**—(207) 834-5800 **Houlton**—(207) 532-6380 **Presque Isle**—(207) 764-0022 christiecorey@hotmail.com www.pcc-hope.org

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Media Statement
Defunding Planned Parenthood

Hard working taxpayers should never be forced to send over $1.4 MILLION every single day to the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood.

The recent controversy over Planned Parenthood and its practices could be quelled if the Abortion Giant would be willing to give up their alleged modest abortion business.

Last year, the American taxpayer sent Planned Parenthood over $500 MILLION dollars. The recent scandal involving Planned Parenthood top executives haggling over harvesting fetal body parts has captured the blatant, institutional disregard Planned Parenthood has for the unborn child. The horrific content of the videos has spurred several U.S. Congressional investigations as well as numerous state investigations.

We support assisting women's health care through organizations not involved in the wholesale destruction of innocent human life.

We believe taxpayer funds should be reallocated here in Maine to the 19 Federally Qualified Health Centers operating in 135 service sites and serving 182,546 Maine people. Planned Parenthood only serves 10,000 Maine people at 4 sites, operating in 2 Maine counties. Maine's Federally Qualified Health Centers operate throughout all of Maine. The FQHCs operate in both rural and urban settings, providing similar health care services, but do not perform abortions.

Planned Parenthood fails to mention that 40% of their clinic income is from abortion and 94% of their prenatal services are abortion. Rather, they continuously claim "only 3% of their services are abortion." In her book, UnPlanned, former Planned Parenthood Director, Abby Johnson, states that "*Planned Parenthood's business model is abortion-based*."

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District	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Party	ADDRESS / CITY	ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	**LD 83** An Act to Strengthen Consent Laws for Abortins Performed on Minors	**LD 319** An Act to Strengthen the Economic Stability of Qualified Maine Citizens by Expanding Coverage of Reproductive Healthcare and Family Services	**LD 1270** An Act for Patient-directed Care at the End of Life	**LD 1312** An Act to License Outpatient Surgical Abortion Facilities
							NOTE: LD 1117 An Act to Clarify the Policy for Withdrawal of Life Support from Minors Was unanimously approved in both chambers in June, 2015. *Thank you to **ALL** Legislators for your support of LD 1117!*	**NOTE: LD 1134** An Act To Require DHHS to Distribute Information Regarding Down Syndrome Was passed with Ammendment "B" (H-480) unanimously in June, 2015. *Thank you to **ALL** Legislators for your support of LD 1134!*		
27	**Alfond**	Justin	D	143 Vaughan Street Portland	04102	232-4187 justin@justinalfond.com	X	X	X	X
23	**Baker**	Linda	R	1 Homeplace Topsham	04086	729-8381 bakersenate14@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	X
20	**Brakey**	Eric	R	146 Pleasant St. Apt. 3 Auburn	04210	406-0897 sen.eric.brakey@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	**Breen**	Catherine	D	15 Falmouth Ridges Dr. Falmouth	04105	329-6142 cathy.breen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
6	**Burns**	David	R	159 Dodge Road Whiting	04691	733-8856 senatorburns@myfairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	**Collins**	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Road Wells	04090	985-2485 rcollins7@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	**Cushing**	Andre	R	PO Box 211 Hampden	04444	449-1358 andre@andrecushing.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	**Cyrway**	Scott	R	363 Albion Road Benton	04901	453-7787 scyrway@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	**Davis**	Paul	R	36 Townhouse Road Sangerville	04479	876-4047 / 343-0258 sendavis@myottmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	**Diamond**	G.	D	10 Crown Point Road Windham	04062	892-8941 diamondhollyd@aol.com	X	X	X	X
5	**Dill**	James	D	72 Sunset Drive Old Town	04468	827-3498 / 949-2155 jamesdill207@gmail.com	X	X	X	X
32	**Dutremble**	David	D	536 Elm Street Biddeford	04005	229-6587 ddutrem1@gmail.com	X	X	X	X
1	**Edgecomb**	Peter	R	132 Baird Road Caribou	04736	496-3188 pedgecom@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	**Gerzofsky**	Stanley	D	3 Federal Street Brunswick	04011	373-1328 stan1340@aol.com	X	X	X	X

9	**Gratwick**	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Ave. Bangor	04401	947-0637 geoffrey.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
							LD 83	**LD 319**	**LD 1270**	**LD 1312**
19	**Hamper**	James	R	1023 King Street Oxford	04270	539-4586 senatorhamp@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	**Haskell**	Anne	D	31 Higgins Street Portland	04103	871-5808 / 712-1244 annehask@maine.rr.com	X	X	X	X
35	**Hill**	Dawn	D	P.O.B. 701 Cape Neddick	03902	337-3689 dawn@dawnhill.org	X	X	X	X
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GAO report confirms elective abortion coverage widespread in Obamacare exchange plans

WASHINGTON – A report by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), a nonpartisan investigatory arm of Congress, made public today, provides dismaying confirmation of earlier predictions by National Right to Life that federally subsidized abortion coverage would become a widespread feature of Obamacare. The report found that more than one thousand federally subsidized exchange plans currently cover elective abortion.

"It is no surprise that the Obama Administration is spending billions of taxpayer dollars subsidizing the purchase of health plans that cover abortion on demand," said National Right to Life Legislative Director Douglas Johnson. **"Those really responsible for this scandal are the lawmakers, such as Mary Landrieu of Louisiana, Kay Hagan of North Carolina, Mark Begich of Alaska, and Mark Udall of Colorado, who voted against the pro-life amendment that would have prevented this massive federal funding of abortion-covering plans, as well as those who voted to enact the bill after the amendment was rejected, such as Mark Pryor of Arkansas."**

The GAO report focused mainly on determining the prevalence of elective abortion coverage in health plans sold on the exchanges, in the 27 states plus D.C. that currently do not have laws in effect that restrict abortion coverage. The GAO found that on these 28 exchanges, 1,036 plans cover elective abortion while 1,062 do not. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that between 2015 and 2024, $726 *billion* will flow from the federal Treasury in direct subsidies for Obamacare health plans.

The Obamacare law was enacted in early 2010 despite objections from pro-life forces that it contained provisions that would result in massive federal subsidies to help scores of millions of Americans buy health plans that cover elective abortion. However, President Obama repeatedly insisted that "no federal dollars will be used to fund abortions."

The GAO findings validate previous charges by National Right to Life that the federal taxpayer is subsidizing the purchase of abortion-covering plans on a massive scale. As *Politico* reported today, "The vast majority of people who bought coverage on the exchanges did so with subsidies. According to government figures, 87 percent of the 5.4 million people who bought a plan on HealthCare.gov in the last enrollment period did so with at least some subsidy."

These massive subsidies for abortion-covering plans amount to a sharp break from decades of federal policy under the Hyde Amendment. The Hyde Amendment says that no federal funds "shall be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion," but the Hyde Amendment does not apply to the Obamacare law. Attempts to include Hyde-like language in the Obamacare law were initially successful in the House but were ultimately blocked by President Obama and his allies in Congress. (For detailed discussion of the history of the Hyde Amendment and the sharp break from Hyde policy contained in Obamacare, see NRL congressional testimony here: http://www.nrlc.org/uploads/ahc/ProtectLifeActDouglasJohnsonTestimony.pdf)

The author of so-called "compromise" language that paved the way for enactment of the law, then-Sen. Ben Nelson (D-Nebraska), said in 2009 that "you have to write two checks: one for the basic policy and one for the additional coverage for abortion. The latter has to be entirely from personal funds." [155 Cong. Rec. S14134 (Dec. 24, 2009)]. The Nelson "two check" system, previously given great credence by some journalistic "factcheckers," turns out to be not merely a flimsy gimmick, but a vanished mirage. Although the GAO confirmed that the law requires "issuers to collect from each enrollee in a QHP [Qualified Health Plan] covering non-excepted [elective] abortion services a separate payment for coverage of these services," the Obama Administration is not enforcing such a requirement. Not a single one of the 18 insurance companies that are selling abortion-covering plans, and that responded to the GAO, actually were collecting a separate payment from enrollees for elective abortion coverage.

Despite assurances that there would be plans available in each state that do not fund elective abortions, the GAO found that in five states – Connecticut, Hawaii, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Vermont – every insurance plan currently sold on the exchange covers elective abortion. In addition, abortion-covering plans dominated the exchanges in California (96% cover elective abortion, 86 plans out of 90), Massachusetts (98%, 109 plans of 111), New York (95%, 405 plans of 426), and Oregon (90%, 92 plans of 102).

The House of Representatives has passed the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7), which would apply the traditional Hyde Amendment policy to all federal programs, including the Obamacare premium-subsidy program, and thereby limit federally subsidized plans to coverage of abortion in cases of rape, incest, or threat to the life of the mother. However, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada) has prevented Senate action on identical legislation.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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Total Abortions In Maine Decrease AGAIN!

State of Maine Abortion Statistics for 2011

For the 4th straight year total abortions in Maine declined at an amazing pace. From the recent peak total of **2,689** in 2007, abortions in 2011 amounted to **1,773**, a decline of **916** or 34.1% in the 4-year period.

It gets even more encouraging when one looks at the rapid decline among young people, those aged 12-24. Abortions in this group have declined for 5 straight years beginning in 2007. In 2006 abortions in this young group amounted to **1,449**. By 2011 the number had dropped to **880**, a decline of **569** or 39.3%.

The Year-to-Year Numbers 2006-2011*

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
1773	2311	2413	2623	2689	**2672**
-23.30%	-4.20%	-8.00%	-2.45%	0.01%	

TOTAL ABORTIONS FOR 12 - 24 YEAR OLDS					
2011	**2010**	**2009**	**2008**	**2007**	**2006**
880	1167	1257	1395	1430	**1449**
-24.60%	-7.20%	-9.90%	-2.50%	-1.30%	

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Maine Right to Life Committee Announces Historic Reduction in Abortions

(Auburn, ME) According to the recently released 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control, Maine's abortion numbers are at an historic low.

The 2011 report indicates abortions in Maine plunged to a record low of 1,773. That's an amazing 23.3% reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 babies saved in just one year.

For a 4th consecutive year, abortions in Maine declined at an astonishing pace. This is a watershed moment in pro-life Maine, according to Maine Right to Life Committee Executive Director, Teresa McCann-Tumidajski.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined by 916, or 34% during the 4-year period.

"This trend represents a pattern for life which cannot be denied or minimized. The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear: abortion is not the answer," states Tumidajski.

In 2011, abortion dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine. 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced abortion. (Only residents of Somerset County report an abortion increase.) Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (-31%), which are Maine's most populated counties. However, out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010. *"We want people coming to our beautiful state to **raise** their families here, not reduce them," Tumidajski commented.*

Abortion among young people in Maine aged 12-24 has decreased for 5 years in a row. From 2006-2011, abortions in this age group declined by 39.3% resulting in 569 fewer abortions. Maine's young people are trending more pro-life with each passing year.

Since the record high number of abortions in Maine of 4,767 in 1987, abortions have decreased 62.8%. This decrease amounts to 3,371 Maine babies lives saved.

Maine women from all walks of life, from all areas in Maine, are increasingly choosing life rather than abortion for their unborn children.

"There is no single, silver bullet by which to attribute this phenomenal abortion decline. Decades of perseverance, education, and grassroots advocacy by thousands of dedicated pro-life Mainers has been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment, "states Tumidajski.

Pro-life organizations, Pregnancy Support Centers, Prayer Groups, valiant post-abortive women, and technology are now aligned. We are now seeing the fruits of decades of perseverance.

"The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: life begins at conception, and each human life is precious," Tumidajski added.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads, and on their refrigerators. These images are used in Birth Announcements, and even *Show and Tell* for Kindergarteners who anxiously want to share a picture of their new little brother or sister with their classmates. At 8 weeks gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. More and more states are enacting legislation that reflects the changing will of the people that want to restrict abortion on demand.

For nearly 40 years, Maine Right to Life has worked to provide a voice for Maine's most vulnerable via education and advocacy, reaching hundreds of thousands of Maine people. Over the past 16 years, Maine Right to Life's advertising arm, Maine Vitae Society, has broadcast over 100,000 television commercials throughout Maine. Since 2005, Vitae helped educate over 130,000 young people with interactive visits to the pro-life website, Teenbreaks.com. Maine's 25 Pregnancy Support Centers have opened their hearts and doors to women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy and have offered their love and life-affirming services for free, without the aid of millions of taxpayer dollars. Prayer warriors and peaceful grassroots activists have worked together to form a fertile, life-affirming base which offers true compassion for life, and not the hollow promises of "choice." For decades, valiant post-abortive women have testified before legislative committees in Augusta, pleading for mandatory waiting periods and informed consent legislation such as is required with any other medical procedure. Pro-life organizations, legislators, and candidates have worked tirelessly to educate their fellow citizens and legislators that abortion is not the answer. Maine Senator James Hamper (R) District 13, Oxford County, stated that the decline in Maine abortion *"is an indication that the people of Maine are, once again, ahead of their representatives in Augusta."*

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric, now referring to abortion as a "sacred right" throughout all stages of pregnancy. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called "war on women" intended to "judge" or "shame" women, although poll after poll, year after year, consistently indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26% favor legalized abortion under any circumstances, while 58% of Americans want either all or most all abortions illegal.

"The taking of innocent human life is never the answer, even if the law enshrines it," Tumidajski adds.

"*Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education.*

But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with regard to STDs like gonorrhea. Maine CDC reports incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past 4 years," Tumidajski notes. There is now an alarming world-wide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Or consider the Bloomberg Report Sept. 3, 2013 reporting abortion clinics closing at a record pace since 2011. At least 58 U.S. abortion clinics (almost 1 in 10) have closed or stopped providing abortions. Over the past 3 years, an average of 19 abortion clinics have shut down, including Dr. Kermitt Gosnell's abortion clinic in

Pennsylvania. Here in Maine, the Alan Guttmacher Institute reports 13 abortion providers in 2008, which is a reduction from the 15 abortion providers the Institute reported in 2000. You may recall the closing of the Family Planning Clinic in South Portland in 2012 due to "lack of numbers" at that site.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers.

But the Maine CDC abortion report indicates from 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6%, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.

From 2007-2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%. The overall rate of women aged 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3% in 2007 to 6.9% in 2011.

"Maine's abortion numbers, rate, and ratio have plummeted in the past 4 years. The tide in Maine is turning in favor of life. We are changing hearts, minds, and behaviors in favor of life…one precious child at a time," Tumidajski concludes.

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Thank you for inviting me to speak at your annual convention. I regret that I am unable to attend in person, but want to take this opportunity to thank Teresa McCann-Tumidajski and the Maine Right to Life Committee for inviting me and to also send along my appreciation for each of you and all that you do for this great cause.

Paul and I believe that children are a gift from God and that our children needed to be raised in a home where both of us committed to raising them with love and understanding. As you know, Paul and I also believe that we have a responsibility to promote social policy that strengthens the family unit.

Personally, I like to speak of my own experience for being pro-life from my perspective of as a wife and mother. Being a mom; a wife; and maintaining a strong family bond has always been my top priority. I believe that the key to taking on any challenge is the knowledge that a strong family support system is behind me. Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a mother. I remember the first time I found out that I was about to become one. I was overwhelmed with joy and excitement, but I also felt very nervous – as I'm sure most expectant parents do. However, I knew that Paul and I had built our marriage on a strong foundation and that we had faith to guide us. We knew in our hearts that life began at conception and instantly formed an unbreakable bond with our baby long before we knew if it would be a boy or a girl or were able to see its face or hold it in our arms. Ultimately, we were blessed with a healthy girl and less than a year later, a healthy boy. I have memories I will treasure my entire life of times with my family. The times we shared, both good times and the challenging times, have made me the person I am today; the person my husband is; and the people our children have become. We all have choices to make in life and I believe those choices reflect who we are both as a society and as individuals. I can honestly say that my choice to become a mother was the best choice I ever made.

We are all driven by our core beliefs. Paul and I both believe that each and every human being provides infinite value to our world and that each and every soul deserves the opportunity to become their own person and pursue their own dreams. So I applaud all of you here today for staying true to your beliefs. I appreciate and thank you for all of your support and prayers for my family over the past three years. Please know that you have ours. Thank you again for all you do and God bless you.

Ann M. LePage

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Rejected	A bill to prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. 08/03/15	Y	√
Rejected	Constitutional amendment to curb free speech about political officeholders and issues 09/11/2014	N	√
Rejected	Murray bill to empower DHHS abortion mandates 07/16/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Preventing abortion funding and protecting religious liberty 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act: Sense of the Senate 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Defunding of the Obama health care law 03/13/2013	Y	√
Rejected	"DISCLOSE ACT" to restrict political Free speech 07/17/12	N	√
Agreed	Preventing Obama Abortion Mandates (Blunt Amendment) 03/01/12	N	√
Rejected	Cut off federal funding for Planned Parenthood 04/14/11	N	X
Rejected	Blocking funding for Obama health care law 04/14/11	Y	√
Rejected	Repeal of Obama health care law 02/02/11	Y	√
Rejected	DISCLOSE ACT (restrictions on free speech about federal politicians) 9/23/10	N	√

√ = Voted For Us X = Voted Against Us

ALERT!

Join Us for an Educational Day!

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Feb.4, 2016

9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Hall of Flags

State House (2nd Floor)

Augusta, ME

Good News! Maine Right to Life Committee is pleased to announce hosting the 3rd annual *Respect Life Day at the Capitol*.

This is a wonderful **educational** opportunity by which to showcase Maine's extensive respect life presence to our lawmakers in a highly visible and informational manner. ***Respect Life Day at the Capitol* will be held in Augusta on Thursday, Feb. 4 at the Hall of Flags from 9AM-1PM (State House Capitol Building, 2nd Floor).**

On that day, respect life organizations from across the state will convene in the State Capitol and provide legislators and the public with pro-life exhibits/displays.

Please be aware this is not a rally, march, or protest. It is an informational, educational venue for legislators, staff, and those visiting the Capitol on that day.

This event provides a great venue by which to speak with respect life leaders. Learn *first-hand* what's new and exciting in Maine's respect life

movement. Learn what you can do to become a more effective advocate for Maine's vulnerable, at all stages of development.

Exhibitors participating in ***Respect Life Day at the Capitol*** include organizations from York County to Aroostook County!

Although each participating respect life organization provides a unique area in which to promote the culture of life, we all share the same unwavering mission: *To protect and support the precious gift of life by offering compassionate, life-affirming alternatives by which to erode the culture of death.*

ALSO---this could be an ideal time to schedule an appointment with your local Representatives and discuss with him/her the importance of their respect life vote(s.)

To find your Maine legislators (link here to State of Maine Roster).

Friends, there is no denying it. We are making inroads into building the culture of life through truth and love!

Mark your calendar now, and join us, along with our esteemed respect life colleagues from across Maine. This promises to be an exciting and educational day! Families, students, singles, and seniors are welcome to attend this family-friendly, educational respect life event. See you on February 4 for Respect Life Day at the Capitol!

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LEGEND: ✓ = Voted **WITH** Us **X**= Voted **AGAINST** Us **A** = Absent

NOTE: LD 1117 An Act to Clarify the Policy for Withdrawal of Life Support from Minors was unanimously approved in both chambers in June 2015.
*Thank you to **ALL** Legislators for your support of LD 1117!*

NOTE: LD 1134 An Act To Require DHHS to Distribute Information Regarding Down Syndrome was passed with Ammendment "B" (H-480) unanimously in June 2015.
*Thank you to **ALL** Legislators for your support of LD 1134!!!*

DIST.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Party	ADDRESS / CITY	ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	LD 83 An Act to Strengthen Consent Laws for Abortins Performed on Minors	LD 319 An Act to Strengthen the Economic Stability of Qualified Maine Citizens by Expanding Coverage of Reproductive Healthcare and Family Services	LD 1270 An Act for Patient-directed Care at the End of Life	LD 1312 An Act to License Outpatient Surgical Abortion Facilities
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121	**Duchesne**	Robert	D	478 Beechwood Avenue Hudson	04468	(207) 827-3782 bob.duchesne@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
118	**Dunphy**	Larry	R	P. O. Box 331 Embden	04958	(207) 635-2831 skime2@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓

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122	**Dunphy**	Michelle	D	143 Middle Street Old Town	04468	(207) 827-8989 michelle.dunphy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
148	**Edgecomb**	Anthony	R	24 Fisher Street Fort Fairfield	04742	(207) 484-8119 aj.edgecomb@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
65	**Espling**	Ellie	R	12 Lewiston Road New Gloucester	04260	(207) 891-8280 espling2@securespeed.us	✓	✓	✓	✓
91	**Evangelos**	Jeffrey	I	465 Waldoboro Road Friendship	04547	(207) 832-7378 jeffrey.evangelos@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
6	**Eves**	Mark	D	29 Acorn Lane North Berwick	03906	(207) 287-1300 mark.eves@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
37	**Farnsworth**	Richard	D	55 Old Mast Road Portland	04102	(207) 874-6399 (207) 233-3814 richard.farnsworth@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
111	**Farrin**	Bradlee	R	P. O. Box 687 Norridgewock	04957	(207) 634-3074 btfarrin@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	**Fecteau**	Ryan	D	30 Herring Avenue Ext. Biddeford	04005	(207) 289-4478 ryan.fecteau@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	A	X
7	**Foley**	Robert	R	57 Shady Lane Wells	04090	(207) 646-2409 (207) 590-2409 robert.foley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
80	**Fowle**	Lori	D	305 Taber Hill Road Vassalboro	04989	(207) 649-4863 lori.fowle@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
100	**Fredette**	Kenneth	R	P. O. Box 70 Newport	04953	(207) 287-1440 kenneth.fredette@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	A
124	**Frey**	Aaron	D	P.O. Box 74 Bangor	04402	(207) 249-9969 aaron.frey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
34	**Gattine**	Drew	D	529 Stroudwater Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 409-3477 drew.gattine@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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48	**Gideon**	Sara	D	37 South Freeport Road Freeport	04032	(207) 865-9593 (207) 287-1430 sara.gideon@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
74	**Gilbert**	Paul	D	P. O. Box 186 Jay	04239	(207) 897-5143 paul.gilbert@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X
98	**Gillway**	James	R	79 Bowen Road Searsport	04974	(207) 548-6429 jgillway@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
69	**Ginzler**	Phyllis	R	10 Blue Jay Lane Bridgton	04009	(207) 647-8257 phyllis.ginzler@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
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127	**Goode**	Adam	D	P. O. Box 2681 Bangor	04402	(207) 991-7000 adam.goode@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X

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12	**Grohman**	Martin	D	9 Lisa Lane Biddeford	04005	(207) 283-1476 (207) 571-9700 martin.grohman@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
102	**Guerin**	Stacey	R	79 Phillips Road Glenburn	04401	(207) 884-7118 (207) 249-0472 repguerin@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	**Hamann**	Scott	D	60 Thornton Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 233-2951 scott@scotthamann.com	X	X	X	X
142	**Hanington**	Sheldon	R	475 Enfield Road Lincoln	04457	(207) 794-4545 sheldonhanington@outlook.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
87	**Hanley**	Jeffery	R	52 Turner Drive Pittston	04345	(207) 582-1524 jshanley@myfairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓
36	**Harlow**	Denise	D	36 Broadway Portland	04103	(207) 409-0870 denise.harlow@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
89	**Hawke**	Stephanie	R	76 Park Street Boothbay Harbor	04538	(207) 380-6803 (207) 633-4600 stephanie.hawke@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	X	✓
117	**Head**	Frances	R	P. O. Box 61 Bethel	04286	(207) 650-1351 frances.head@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
97	**Herbig**	Erin	D	P.O. Box 1015 Belfast	04915	(207) 542-7654 erin.herbig@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X
73	**Herrick**	Lloyd	R	P. O. Box 54 Paris	04271	(207) 514-0414 skip.herrick@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	X	✓
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55	**Hobart**	Brian	R	239 Ridge Road Bowdoinham	04008	(207) 666-3075 brian.hobart@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	X
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135	**Hubbell**	Brian	D	66 Park Street Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 288-3947 brian.hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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92	**Kruger**	Chuck	D	37 Green Street Thomaston	04861	(207) 354-8239 (207) 354-8928 chuck.kruger@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
134	**Kumiega**	Walter	D	36 Cedar Lane Deer Isle	04650	(207) 479-5459 walter.kumiega@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
58	**Lajoie**	Michel	D	279 Old Greene Road Lewiston	04240	(207) 783-1927 (207) 713-7119 michel.lajoie@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	X
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132	**Luchini**	Louis	D	P. O. Box 1311 Ellsworth	04605	(207) 664-4699 louis.luchini@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
129	**Lyford**	Peter	R	197 Jarvis Gore Drive Eddington	04428	(207) 794-4545 lyfordinc@msn.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
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136	**Malaby**	Richard	R	52 Cross Road Hancock	04640	(207) 422-3146 (207) 266-3710 rsmalaby@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	**Marean**	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road Hollis	04042	(207) 727-5527 lindonfarm@sacoriver.net	A	A	A	✓
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116	**Pickett**	Richard	R	21 Church Street Dixfield	04227	(207) 645-4893 richard.pickett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	**Pierce**	Teresa	D	6 Waites Landing Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 781-7144 (207) 415-8631 teresa.pierce@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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64	**Sawicki**	David	R	707 Lake Shore Drive Auburn	04210	(207) 753-6312 dsawicki@voicellc.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
126	**Schneck**	John	D	2078 Ohio Street Bangor	04401	(207) 942-7886 john.schneck@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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42	**Stuckey**	Peter	D	20 Vaill Street Portland	04103	(207) 773-3345 (207) 479-4886 peter.stuckey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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131	**Ward**	Karleton	R	P. O. Box 612 Dedham	04429	(207) 843-7546 (207) 989-7400 karl.ward@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓
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94	**Welsh**	Joan	D	54 Sea Street Rockport	04856	(207) 236-6554 joan.welsh@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X
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Maine Voices: Maine deserves leader who places right to life over politics … and profits

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By Teresa McCann-Tumidajski

AUBURN — China's sex-selective abortion policy of favoring male children is state-sponsored gendercide. Nations across the globe decry this brutal barbarism. Human compassion rebels against such evil as practiced in China. No innocent unborn child should be aborted because of her gender.

Why then, is a so-called women's group spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in Maine to elect candidates like Democrat Mike Michaud, with a voting record supporting abortion on demand for any reason, including gender selection? On May 31, 2012, Michaud voted to oppose a ban on sex-selection abortions.

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Many people are surprised to learn that on June 18, 2013, Michaud also voted in favor of abortions after 5 months.

His record is certainly outside the norm for most people who want restrictions placed on abortion. According to a May Gallup Poll, only 28 percent of Americans polled believe abortion should be legal under any circumstance. Gallup reports that a whopping 71 percent believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances.

More and more women are turning away from abortion. This downward trajectory reflects a profound shift in changing hearts and minds to choosing life. As abortions in Maine and across our nation decline at historic rates, the pro-abortion movement has doubled down.

Its disciples are threatened by any restrictions on abortion whatsoever. Even moderate candidates who support legislation safeguarding women's health are considered "extremists" who are trying "to deny women access to basic health care," as Planned Parenthood has said.

It's not surprising when you consider the radical philosophy of Margaret Sanger, founder of the organizations that became Planned Parenthood. In 1914, Sanger penned a newsletter titled "The Woman Rebel," which offered birth control information and had the slogan "No Gods. No Masters."

Today, the slogan of "choice" is being replaced with "women's health." Planned Parenthood is evolving once again and re-branding itself to reach a broader audience. And we taxpayers are helping.

Last year, taxpayers donated $540.6 million to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. That's almost $1.5 million in tax dollars every day. So much taxpayer money has been donated to Planned Parenthood that last year it was able to bank $58.2 million in profits. There was even enough left to provide the nonprofit's president with a tidy $523,616 salary.

In Maine, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England launched a so-called innovative social education project aimed at teens titled "A Naked Notion." Through YouTube videos, it educates young people about bondage and other X-rated activities that would make a grown man blush. Their 2013 annual report boasts that the video has received over 1 million views.

Cecile Richards, national president of Planned Parenthood, was scheduled to headline a "Women for Mike" Rally

endorsing Michaud and other like-minded “champions for women’s health” on Aug. 27. The event was postponed and has been rescheduled for Oct. 3.

In the meantime, the abortion giant has promised to unleash an unprecedented $500,000 through its Maine Action Fund PAC to elect extreme candidates like Michaud, fellow Democrat Emily Cain and similar ideologues – including those who support taxpayer funding of abortion, as Michaud did by his vote Jan. 28 against a proposal to bar taxpayer funding for abortion in Obamacare plans.

Wouldn’t it be wonderful if Planned Parenthood and its “champions for women’s health” would consider using some of its profits to “pay it forward” for real health services for women, such as installing mammography equipment at all of its facilities? (Planned Parenthood provides referrals but generally doesn’t provide mammograms.)

Or perhaps some of its profits could be used to provide professional, thorough pre- and post-abortion counseling for women and men who are devastated by a “choice” made in haste, with no 24-hour waiting periods in place. Millions of post-abortive women and men are among the walking wounded in the reproductive rights war.

Our women and children (born and unborn) deserve our best and most compassionate care. The so-called “rights” of abortion have wronged the soul of our nation. No amount of money or rhetoric can justify the taking of innocent human life.

Maine deserves leaders who place people over politics. And we certainly deserve leaders who place people – especially our most vulnerable – over profits.

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The price of fetal parts

By Charles Krauthammer Opinion writer July 23, 2015

"Thank you, Planned Parenthood. God bless you."— Barack Obama, address to Planned Parenthood, April 26, 2013

*P*lanned Parenthood's reaction to the release of a clandestinely recorded conversation about the sale of fetal body parts was highly revealing. After protesting that it did nothing illegal, it apologized for the "tone" of one of its senior directors.

Her remarks lacked compassion, admitted Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards. As if Dr. Deborah Nucatola's cold and casual discussion over salad and wine of how the fetal body can be crushed with forceps in a way that leaves valuable organs intact for sale is some kind of personal idiosyncrasy. On the contrary, it's precisely the kind of psychic numbing that occurs when dealing daily with industrial scale destruction of the growing, thriving, recognizably human fetus.

This was again demonstrated by the release this week of a second video showing another official sporting that same tone, casual and even jocular, while haggling over the price of an embryonic liver. "If it's still low, then we can bump it up," she joked, "I want a Lamborghini."

Abortion critics have long warned that the problem is not only the obvious — what abortion does to the fetus — but also what it does to us. It's the same kind of desensitization that has occurred in the Netherlands with another mass exercise in life termination: assisted suicide. It began as a way to prevent the suffering of the terminally ill. It has now become so widespread and wanton that one-fifth of all Dutch assisted-suicide patients are euthanized without their explicit consent.

The Planned Parenthood revelations will have an effect. Perhaps not on government funding, given the Democratic Party's unwavering support and the president wishing it divine guidance. Planned Parenthood might escape legal jeopardy as well, given the loophole in the law banning the sale of fetal parts that permits compensation for expenses (shipping and handling, as it were).

But these revelations will have an effect on public perceptions. Just as ultrasound altered feelings about abortion by showing the image, the movement, the vibrant living-ness of the developing infant

in utero, so too, I suspect, will these Planned Parenthood revelations, by throwing open the door to the backroom of the clinic where that being is destroyed.

It's an ugly scene. The issue is less the sale of body parts than how they are obtained. The nightmare for abortion advocates is a spreading consciousness of how exactly a healthy fetus is turned into a mass of marketable organs, how, in the words of a senior Planned Parenthood official, one might use "a less crunchy technique" — crush the head, spare the organs — "to get more whole specimens."

The effect on the public is a two-step change in sensibilities. First, when ultrasound reveals how human the living fetus appears. Next, when people learn, as in these inadvertent admissions, what killing the fetus involves.

Remember. The advent of ultrasound has coincided with a remarkable phenomenon: Of all the major social issues, abortion is the only one that has not moved toward increasing liberalization. While the legalization of drugs, the redefinition of marriage and other assertions of individual autonomy have advanced, some with astonishing rapidity, abortion attitudes have remained largely static. The country remains evenly split.

What will be the reaction to these Planned Parenthood revelations? Right now, to try to deprive it of taxpayer money. Citizens repelled by its activities should not be made complicit in them. But why not shift the focus from the facilitator to the procedure itself?

The House has already passed a bill banning abortion after 20 weeks. That's far more fruitful than trying to ban it entirely because, apart from the obvious constitutional issue, there is no national consensus about the moral status of the early embryo. There's more agreement on the moral status of the later-term fetus. Indeed, about two-thirds of Americans would ban abortion after the first trimester.

There is more division about the first trimester because one's views of the early embryo are largely a matter of belief, often religious belief. One's view of the later-term fetus, however, is more a matter of what might be called sympathetic identification — seeing the image of a recognizable human infant and, now, hearing from the experts exactly what it takes to "terminate" its existence.

The role of democratic politics is to turn such moral sensibilities into law. This is a moment to press relentlessly for a national ban on late-term abortions.

THE NATIONAL PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW

National Right to Life, the largest pro-life organization in America, and its affiliated state right-to-life groups are sponsoring a National Petition Campaign to Stop the Abortion Agenda. The results of the petition will be sent to Congress.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! ! !
WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY ! ! !

1. Please collect signatures on the petition from your friends, family and neighbors. Arrange to have petitions signed at churches, fairs, shopping centers, and any other places where pro-life people may gather. For example, petitions can be circulated at church Bible study and adult discussion meetings.

2. Feel free to photocopy the petition. Or, the petition form can be downloaded from the NRLC website at www.stoptheabortionagenda.com. Give copies to anyone who can help gather signatures. Collect signatures on only ONE SIDE of each petition form.

3. Advertise the petition by announcements at appropriate meetings, or through inserting a notice in your church bulletin. Here is a sample announcement:

   PETITION TO REPEAL OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE
   You are invited to sign a petition to members of Congress asking them to repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new health care law. The petition will be located at (place) on (day, date) at (times).

4. Choose a convenient method of gathering signatures. A long table or several card tables can be used, or a number of clipboards with petitions and pens attached. Have an ample supply of PENS, NOT PENCILS.

5. Please mail the signed petitions AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to National Right to Life, STOP THE ABORTION AGENDA, 512-10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Send the sheets in as they are completed -- we'll be happy to receive additional signatures later.

6. For more information on the Obama abortion agenda, visit our websites at www.nrlc.org & www.stoptheabortionagenda.com.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of unborn children!

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Repeal Obama's Health Care Law

To all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members:

We urge you to REPEAL or correct all of the abortion-related problems and rationing in the new law. Support the Protect Life Act (H.R. 5111), a bill that would repeal or correct all of the abortion-related problems with the new law!

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Please return to: National Right to Life, 512 10th Street NW, Washington, DC 20004-1401
For more copies of this petition, visit stoptheabortionagenda.com or call (202) 378-8843.
Please also copy and distribute freely.

The Truth about Hobby Lobby's Contraceptive Insurance Coverage

Unlike the media coverage regarding Hobby Lobby so-called *"denying access to birth control, or denying basic reproductive health care services for women,"* the reality is that Hobby Lobby insurance plan includes free co-pay, to the following 16 categories of FDA-approved birth-control:

1. Male condoms
2. Female condoms
3. Diaphragms with spermicide
4. Sponges with spermicide
5. Cervical caps with spermicide
6. Spermicide alone
7. Birth-control pills with estrogen and progestin ("Combined Pill")
8. Birth-control pills with progestin alone ("The Mini Pill")
9. Birth control pills (extended/continuous use)
10. Contraceptive patches
11. Contraceptive rings
12. Progestin injections
13. Implantable rods
14. Vasectomies
15. Female sterilization surgeries
16. Female sterilization implants

What Hobby Lobby will *not* cover are four contraceptive methods that its owners believe are abortifacients:

a. Plan B ("The Morning After Pill")
b. Ella (a similar type of "emergency contraception")
c. Copper Intra-Uterine Device
d. IUD with progestin

Rather than simply prevent sperm and ova from uniting, Hobby Lobby's owners believe that these medications either kill human beings when they are fertilized eggs or prevent them from implanting themselves in utero, whereupon they die. In other words, Hobby Lobby objects to paying for abortifacients. Its employees are allowed to purchase these abortifacients themselves if they so desire, and they will not be fired/terminated/or discriminated against if they do so. What ever happened to "choice" or "tolerance" or "respect" for religious beliefs? And what ever happened to reality in reporting the news facts? The so-called *War on Women* is more aptly *The War on Reality.* Spread the word. Don't be intimidated by a false narrative that's being perpetuated by the main stream media.

Unprecedented Reduction in Abortion Statewide

Induced Abortions by County of Residence
2000-2011* Maine Data

County of Residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*
Androscoggin	177	162	158	190	176	185	224	229	201	195	180	131
Aroostook	60	70	30	41	44	41	44	54	55	44	58	43
Cumberland	761	776	778	787	812	845	814	852	793	712	680	433
Franklin	63	50	59	53	54	63	62	51	50	41	49	36
Hancock	94	67	48	77	90	91	95	104	103	85	93	68
Kennebec	229	206	200	232	243	224	256	251	233	203	193	161
Knox	86	72	74	92	87	89	75	60	71	69	83	55
Lincoln	49	52	47	68	54	62	56	54	64	50	55	30
Oxford	84	98	85	103	82	97	101	79	102	71	81	65
Penobscot	269	246	187	242	213	203	248	272	250	289	223	216
Piscataquis	16	23	12	22	20	15	20	18	22	17	17	9
Sagadahoc	63	73	78	78	75	70	72	61	71	61	48	38
Somerset	88	93	87	86	76	76	70	88	68	70	64	72
Waldo	55	65	45	68	75	63	64	58	72	77	70	49
Washington	38	35	31	22	28	33	47	31	36	36	31	27
York	313	353	312	312	355	357	336	349	350	315	304	209
Unknown	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2
Out of State	85	74	83	77	109	139	85	75	63	78	82	129
Total	2,536	2,515	2,315	2,550	2,593	2,653	2,669	2686	2,604	2,413	2,311	1,773

Notes:
* 2011 Preliminary Data

Source of Data:
Maine Vital Records Data files

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2010 – 2011 Abortion % +/-	
Androscoggin	- 27%
Aroostook	- 26%
Cumberland	- 36%
Franklin	- 26.5%
Hancock	- 27%
Kennebec	- 16.5%
Knox	- 34%
Lincoln	- 45%
Oxford	- 20%
Penobscot	- 3%
Piscataquis	- 47%
Sagadahoc	- 20.8%
Somerset	+ 12.5%
Waldo	- 30%
Washington	- 13%
York	- 31%
Out of State	+ 57%

Note:

- Between 2010-2011, residents in 15 out of 16 counties reduced the number of abortions.
- Among the greatest reduction in abortions between 2010-2011 is from residents in Cumberland County (- 36%) and York County (- 31%), which are Maine's most populated counties.
- Out-of-state residents accounted for 7% of all abortions occurring in Maine in 2011, which is a 57% increase from 2010.

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Another View: Parental OK key to well-being of teens seeking abortion

Vulnerable pregnant minors need family members by their side in order to make an informed decision.

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MAY 31, 2015--

Peter Hastings' and Jerry Conley's May 22 op-ed extolling Maine's current parental consent law for minors seeking abortion was well crafted. It didn't mention, however, that no parental involvement is required, it's merely suggested. Can you imagine the Legislature enacting a law that merely suggests a speed limit?

Many are surprised to learn current law allows a 15-year-old Portland High student to walk into Planned Parenthood and get an abortion, without her parents' knowledge, notification or consent – enabling those who profit from abortion to bypass a parent's involvement and authority. According to Planned Parenthood's annual report, 94 percent of their prenatal services are abortion.

A naïve, pregnant minor doesn't stand much of a chance of making an informed decision without her parents by her side.

Maine's amended consent bill ensures that parents maintain their rightful authority. It puts abortion in line with every other medical procedure that requires parental consent.

The proposed bill includes the safeguard of a judicial bypass that could be used if parents were suspected of abuse or neglect. Hastings and Conley indicate the bypass is "burdensome on minors," citing a 1987 review of Minnesota's parental consent law.

They may not be aware of a 1986 University of Minnesota study that found teenagers who have had an abortion in the past six months are six times more likely to attempt suicide than teens who haven't had an abortion.

We've learned a lot in the 25 years since Maine's consent law was enacted. Public opinion has shifted. Abortions are on the decline. According to a July 2011 Gallup poll, 71 percent of women now favor parental consent, as do most Democrats, Republicans and independents.

No one is more vulnerable than a pregnant teenager and her precious unborn child. Maine's new amended bill keeps this permanent, life-altering decision between parents and children – not between minors and abortion providers.

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Former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director Explains the Tissue Donation Process

Kelsey Harkness / August 10, 2015

Abby Johnson, 35, says Planned Parenthood staffers would receive $20 for "coercing" women to donate tissue from their aborted babies. (Photo: Flikr/cc 4.0/ HazteOir.org)

For eight years, Abby Johnson, who used to work for a branch of Planned Parenthood, didn't just witness the fetal tissue donation process—she participated in it.

During her tenure at a southeast Texas clinic—the same location featured in the fifth undercover video shot by the Center for Medical Progress—Johnson said she would "coerce" women to sign up for studies, then reap the financial benefits.
In 2009, a year after being named "Employee of the Year" at her clinic, Johnson, 35, said she witnessed a doctor performing an abortion on an ultrasound and quit her job.

The former clinic director has since become a pro-life activist, regularly criticizing Planned Parenthood's abortion practices. The organization attempted to discredit parts of Johnson's account and even obtained a temporary injunction against her, but Johnson was quickly cleared of any wrongdoing.

Now, in light of allegations that Planned Parenthood is engaging in illegal activities surrounding its harvesting of fetal body parts, Johnson walked The Daily Signal through her experience with the donation process, from the moment she would ask a woman to participate in a "life-saving" study to the second her facility shipped off the body parts.

Planned Parenthood adamantly denies any wrongdoing in the recent string of videos released by the Center for Medical Progress, which have triggered multiple investigations and calls to strip the organization of its taxpayer dollars.

When a woman walks in for an abortion, what are the first steps?
Nothing is different with her coming in, signing paperwork, all of that is the same. The actual fetal tissue study—the research—is not brought up until she goes into counseling. I'm saying counseling, but it's really

when she goes in to sign all the papers. After she signs the consent form for the abortion, then we would bring up the study.

What would you say?
We would tell the client that we are participating in a study and she has an opportunity today to donate the tissue that's removed from her uterus to a research laboratory where they will be working on life-saving treatments for various diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's or other types of medical studies. We would tell her this is an opportunity for her to possibly save the life of someone else by donating this tissue. By creating this altruistic scenario, women would almost always consent and say, "Yes, absolutely."

Was there a strategy behind the way you phrased that question?
We never discussed, "They may want just a leg, or an arm, or these specific organs." That would create a sense of humanity in their unborn child. And really, we would even shy away from calling it fetal tissue research because just calling it tissue sanitizes it—the women don't necessarily think about the body of their baby, they're just thinking about blood and tissue.

Did Planned Parenthood officials train you on what language to use?
They did. In the fifth video that was released, that was actually my affiliate, where I worked. Missy Ferrell—Melissa, we call her Missy—she was head of the research department when I worked there as well. Anytime we would embark on a research project, someone from the research team would come in and say, "This is what we're doing, this is how you need to talk to the clients about it."

Were Planned Parenthood employees told about the "life-saving treatments" they were supposedly collecting tissue for?
We had absolutely no idea what the tissue was going to be used for. We weren't told that information. We simply had a contract with a research facility, and they said, "Hey, we need to buy specimens from you, how many can you provide? We'll give you 'X' amount of dollars for each specimen you send."

Did you ever receive compensation associated with these research projects?
At that time, and this was of course when I worked there until 2009, we as staff members were compensated for every patient that we were able to enroll in a study. It creates coercive tactics.

How much were you compensated?
It depended on how much Planned Parenthood was getting per research participant. For our fetal tissue study, we got paid about $200 per baby that we sent. If I recall correctly, I think the compensation to the staff was about $20 per enrollment. If it was a minor study … one time we did a study where they were testing different kinds of pap brushes … we got about $5 for each patient.

Once a patient is enrolled in a fetal tissue study, what happens next?
Once the patient is enrolled, she's taken back to the procedure room. The abortion is performed, and nothing is different in the actual abortion procedure. We don't use any different types of tools or anything like that.

There were times where doctors would use a manual aspiration technique as opposed to the vacuum aspiration because the vacuum suction that we used was so strong that it would basically just shred the parts of the baby. If we were trying to get a more intact specimen, the doctor may use a manual aspiration procedure, which doesn't include the machine and does less damage to the actual baby.

Doctors aren't allowed to change the way they perform an abortion to harvest tissue—how is this legal?
Planned Parenthood has done such a good job covering themselves because both of those procedures are considered acceptable standard of care. They can say, "We're not doing the manual aspiration to get a more

intact specimen; we're doing it because this woman's concerned about pain and this would be less painful than the vacuum aspiration procedure."

After the abortion is performed, what happens next?
Once the abortion is complete, the jar or the tube where everything was suctioned would go into the products of conception lab. The product of conception technician, who works for Planned Parenthood, would empty everything that was suctioned out into a dish like what we saw in the fourth and fifth video.

At that point, what did the product of conception technician do with the different body parts?
If it was during a time that we were participating in a research study, they would pick out whatever was requested—whether it was a specific organ, eyeballs, whatever it was—they would take that out and put that in a specimen bag.

Then we would put all of the bags that were going for research in a Styrofoam container inside a freezer, and the ones that were not went into a different bag. With each specimen we had to make a copy of the consent form they signed and put it into the specimen bag.

At the end of the day, we would ship on dry ice the specimens to the company that we were contracted with. Sometimes research labs will actually come and pick up the box, but in our case we shipped it off.

How much did shipping typically cost?
The researchers provided the Styrofoam box and dry ice to Planned Parenthood. Literally the only cost we had was shipping the box. And that was about $20 every time we shipped. So Planned Parenthood is getting $200 per specimen, and we're taking all the specimens, putting them in one box and shipping it off for $20. The different fetal body parts are not shipped individually.

Does Planned Parenthood have to hire an employee to sort through the body parts and put them in these containers?
It's not like we hire someone just to separate these parts for research because after every single abortion, a product of conception technician reassembles the parts of the baby to make sure that everything was removed. If they don't, that can be fatal for a woman. We had several instances where our product of conception technician failed the patient because they would come back in and there would be a leg still in their uterus and that causes very serious infection.

To send the body parts to a research laboratory, it's just a matter of separating them into different bags.

Do you think Planned Parenthood is doing anything illegal?
The way that the law is written currently, it allows them to charge for these certain items as long as they are coded correctly on a line-item budget. And that's the problem with the law, is that it's so subjective as far as the cost. As long as they code it as, we need $100 for extra work in collecting the tissue—well, there is no extra work. And that's what the videos are showing, with Dr. Mary Gatter, she said, "We don't have to change anything." That's true: they don't have to do anything.

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THE PRESIDENTIAL RECORD ON LIFE

President Barack Obama 2009-present

On January 22, 2011, the 38th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion on demand, President Obama issued an official statement heralding Roe as an affirmation of "reproductive freedom," and pledging, "I am committed to protecting this constitutional right."

- **Supreme Court:** President Obama appointed pro-abortion advocates Elena Kagan (2010) and Sonia Sotomayor (2009) to the U.S. Supreme Court. As a key political aide to President Clinton, Kagan helped direct a political strategy that blocked the enactment of a ban on partial-birth abortions during the Clinton Administration. Sotomayor had previously helped direct the litigation projects of a private organization that filed multiple pro-abortion lawsuits, including challenges to parental notification requirements.

- **Health care law:** In 2010, President Obama narrowly won enactment of a massive health care law ("ObamaCare") that will result in federal funding of health plans that pay for elective abortion, and will lead to large-scale rationing of lifesaving medical treatments. Obama actively worked with pro-abortion members of Congress to prevent effective pro-life language from becoming part of the final law.

- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2011, President Obama indicated he would veto the entire federal spending bill -- forcing a government shutdown -- rather than accept a provision cutting funding to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The Obama Administration later blocked efforts by several states to cut off government funds to Planned Parenthood.

- **Embryo-Destroying Research:** In March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order to allow federal funding of research that requires the killing of human embryos.

- **Sex-Selection Abortion:** In May, 2012, the White House announced President Obama's opposition to a bill to prohibit the use of abortion to kill an unborn child simply because the child is not of the sex desired by the parents. The White House said that the government should not "intrude" on "private family matters." (H.R.3541)

- **Abortion Funding:** In 2011, the Obama White House issued formal veto threats against the Protect Life Act (H.R. 358), a bill that would repeal the abortion-expanding provisions of the 2010 ObamaCare law, and the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 3), a bill to permanently prohibit any federal program from funding elective abortions.

- **International Abortion Advocacy:** In 2009, President Obama ordered U.S. funding of private organizations that perform and promote abortion overseas. His Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, told Congress that the Administration would advocate world-wide that "reproductive health includes access to abortion."

- **Conscience Protection:** In February 2011, the Obama Administration rescinded a regulation that had been issued by the Bush Administration, which would have protected health-care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions. In 2012, the Administration issued a "final rule" to force many groups, including religious schools and hospitals, to provide health plans covering certain drugs and procedures, even if it violates their religious and moral convictions.

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Media Statement

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(Auburn, ME) As Planned Parenthood of Northern New England celebrates 50 years in operation, we mourn the loss of our innocent, unborn children who have been aborted by Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. To those who respect the most vulnerable in our society, today is a memoriam, not a gala celebration. 94% of Planned Parenthood's prenatal services are abortion. Although Planned Parenthood reports abortion is only a small percentage of their services, abortion represents almost ½ of their clinic income. We don't consider abortion to be prenatal health care. We support non-violent options for an unplanned pregnancy.

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End note:
http://www.sba-list.org/newsroom/press-releases/planned-parenthood-annual-report-fresh-evidence-abortion-centered-profit-dri

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. ~~~Margaret Mead

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Media Statement

This week we honor our brave veterans who have sacrificed much so we can enjoy our cherished rights and freedoms, including Freedom of Speech.

Conversely, we are gravely disturbed by the unprecedented lawsuit filed by Maine's Attorney General against a peaceful anti-abortion protestor for speaking "too loudly" outside Planned Parenthood in Portland. Earlier this week, Maine's Attorney General filed a complaint against Brian Ingalls, 26, from Lisbon, Maine.

Although the local "boots on the ground" law enforcement agency, the Portland Police Department, was called upon to observe the protestor's behavior, they have not deemed the incident as rising to the standard of violating any Disturbance of the Peace ordinances. No citations have been issued by the Portland Police Department against the young husband and father.

The unverified noise complaint came from Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider. The abortion vendor claimed that the single protestor's yelling reached into their offices, disrupting counseling sessions between staff and patients. Maine's highest law enforcement official subsequently issued the lawsuit against the young man, claiming that his loud speech violated Maine's Civil Rights Act. It is unusual for any state to enact, much less enforce, a law which regulates peaceful free speech based upon decibel levels.

This lawsuit comes on the heels of the most notorious scandal in Planned Parenthood's history in which numerous video tapes clearly depict Planned Parenthood executives callously discussing the routine harvesting of aborted baby body parts, and haggling over prices per body part. Planned Parenthood is currently under investigation by the U.S. Congress.

The lawsuit also follows the recent Oct. 8, 2015 ruling by the U.S. District Court which ordered the City of Portland to pay abortion protestors' $56,000 legal fees after settling the 39-foot buffer zone around Planned Parenthood. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled *unanimously* against the Massachusetts buffer zone from which Portland's ordinance was modeled, citing it violated abortion protestors' First Amendment rights. This new lawsuit issued by Maine's Attorney General would restrict Mr. Ingalls from coming within 50 feet of Planned Parenthood, which is an even greater violation of First Amendment rights.

As Planned Parenthood continues to commit more abortions than any other organization in our country, its spokesperson states that Brian Ingall's speech was "disruptive and disrespectful." We contend abortion is the ultimate disruptive act, violently taking the life of the most vulnerable and innocent of human persons, and leaving life long wounds upon women's hearts.

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No authority has the right to quell peaceful free speech on the streets, on the campuses, or in the media. We will not rest as long as there is one innocent preborn child who cannot speak or defend themselves from the violence of abortion. Our veterans have fought too long and hard for this fundamental freedom. Our littlest ones are counting on us now more than ever to protect them. We stand with the Thomas More Law Center which represents Mr. Ingalls, in zealously defending the First Amendment from any unlawful attack. No one should be bullied into silence based upon political ideology or an unverified noise report.

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Interview with U.S. Congressman Bruce Poliquin

Maine Right to Life Executive Director Teresa McCann-Tumidajski conducted an interview with Congressman Bruce Poliquin (below). Bruce Poliquin has already cast an important vote FOR LIFE (Jan. 22, 2015).
God bless Congressman Bruce Poliquin!

Tumidajski: You have clearly stated that you are "*proudly pro-life*." Who or what has most influenced your respect life position?

Poliquin: My wonderful wife and her father tragically died when our son was still in diapers. I raised Sam mostly as a single dad since that dark day. That painful experience made it very clear to me how fragile and precious life is. I was also raised in a traditional Franco-American Catholic family where every life is valued.

Tumidajski: Some candidates have purported to be pro-life *prior* to an election. After the election, they have voted against pro-life legislation, in favor of abortion rights. How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: For me, the Life issue is personal, not political. I'm proud of my consistent record of voting what I have publicly stated is right. Last week, my first Life vote in Congress was not to allow federal tax dollars to fund abortions. I don't believe requiring taxpayers to pay for abortions reflects the values of our 2nd District families. Additionally, doing so would violate the moral conscious and religious beliefs of many taxpayers.

Tumidajski: Maine is the grayest state in the nation, with a median age of 42.7 years. What will you do to ensure that the health care benefits of Maine seniors are not reduced by rationing in the Affordable Care Act?

Poliquin: I'm very concerned about the health care security of our seniors. Last week in Bangor, I met with a group of seniors to listen to their stories about the importance of protecting their Medicare benefits, including through the Medicare Advantage program. It was wrong for Washington to cut $716 billion from Medicare to help fund Obamacare for younger Americans. I've already started to work with Republicans and Democrats in Congress to fix the parts of Obamacare that are raising the costs and threatening the health care benefits for seniors. Our parents and grandparents have paid into the Medicare program for many years. They have earned and deserve to receive those health care benefits. At every turn, I will stand up to protect those critically important health care services for our seniors.

Tumidajski: The national Quinnipiac University Poll conducted November 2014 found that 60% support a law such as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act prohibiting abortion after 20 weeks---only 33% opposed such legislation. This recent national poll found women voters favor this legislation by a whopping 59-35%. Independent voters support this legislation by 56-36%. How will you vote on H.R. 36, The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, when it is brought to the House floor for a vote?

Poliquin: Science has confirmed that defenseless unborn children feel pain after twenty weeks of pregnancy. I don't think it's right to end the lives of these developed children, nor do I believe doing so reflects the values of our 2nd District families. After, of course, carefully examining the language, I expect to vote my conscience and morals to support such legislation.

Tumidajski: The Gallup Poll consistently indicates a majority of Americans want restriction on abortion. In fact, the May 2014 Poll indicates 71% believe abortion should be restricted under some or all circumstances. Pro-choice extremists refer to *any* restriction on abortion (including late term abortions) as a so-called *"war on women."* How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: I believe that Life should be valued and protected in our civil and humane society. I avoid getting wrapped up in political slogans like "war on women."

Tumidajski: For Maine Right to Life Committee members, being pro-life is not just being "*against* abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia, etc." Rather, being pro-life is an ongoing, **pro-active** response in which we live the Culture of Life. We believe true compassion means caring for both mother and her unborn child. How do you respond to that?

Poliquin: Every life is precious.

Tumidajski: Abortion in Maine and across the nation is on the decline. Why do you think the pro-life message is resounding so strongly?

Poliquin: I think people from all different points of view sharing their personal stories is shaping public opinion regarding Life. Medical technology giving parents the chance to view their new unborn daughters and sons is also impacting the Life issue.

Tumidajski: As a Congressman, what will you do to ensure that our tax dollars do not fund abortion?

Poliquin: Last week, I voted not to allow federal tax dollars to be used to pay for abortions.

Tumidajski: Who is the pro-life person you most admire?

Poliquin: My Franco-American Catholic Mom and Dad.

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SPOTLIGHT— Meet the Republican Caucus
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R-Newport,
Minority Leader

Rep. Ellie Espling,
R-New Gloucester,
Assistant Minority Leader

The 127th Legislature

The 127th Legislature is blessed with outstanding PRO-LIFE leaders! Please contact them to show them your appreciation and support for their public service for ALL including our unborn. Go to http://legislature.maine.gov/house/townlist.htm#A for a list of Maine legislators.

ALERT: LD 83, *An Act to Strengthen the Consent Laws for Abortions Performed on Minors,*
Sponsored by Sen. Paul Davis, Sr. (R-Piscataquis) will be brought before the Judiciary Committee SOON!
Contact your legislators to support this important bill!

Barbara Ford
Receives 2014 Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award

Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd's Godparent Home and founder of Nikki's Hope in Bangor, has been awarded the 2014 prestigious Patricia DeGrinney LIFE Award. The announcement was made at Maine Right to Life Committee's statewide annual convention October 18 in Portland. A packed banquet hall responded to the news with a standing ovation! Several members of the Ford family were present for the Award Ceremony including husband of 26 years, Ed Ford; and children: Adam, Alexandra, and Joel.

Barbara Ford is a tireless leader for unborn babies and their mothers. She doesn't just say "No" to abortion, she says "YES" to life. She provides young women facing crisis pregnancy with a loving and safe residence at the Shepherd's Godparent Home for the duration of their pregnancies. Barbara Ford also founded Nikki's Hope in Bangor which is a transition apartment for young mothers to take a year to mature with their babies.

"Barbara Ford shows love, compassion, and respect for young women facing crisis pregnancies by putting her faith in action year after year" said Teresa McCann-Tumidajski, Executive Director of Maine Right to Life Committee.

Since 1990 Barbara has been a foster parent to over 100 children. She leads by example beginning at home. Barbara Ford is the mother to 6 adopted children and 1 biological child. She believes and supports life at all stages….from being a foster parent…a mother…to being a legal guardian to 2 mentally disabled adults. She is also the Board President of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine. **Congratulations, Barbarra!**

George Michael Lane
Keynote Speaker
Author: *A Different Kind of Perfect*
Amy Lane Stole our Hearts at MRLC Annual Convention!

At MRLC's annual convention this past fall, nationally-acclaimed author, George Michael Lane, shared with us his first-hand story about parents choosing a child with Down syndrome, and the initial struggle of that choice. He spoke of faith and blessings in an imperfect world that craves and idealizes perfection. **George Michael Lane also shared the story about finding God's perfection through love. There wasn't a dry eye in the convention center.** Those fortunate enough to hear George Michael Lane's story of life and love were refreshed and renewed in celebrating the beauty and unique blessing of each and every human life. *The special blessings that come with special children is a unique gift*. George, Thea, and Amy Lane are honorary, lifetime members of our Maine Right to Life family. We love you with all our hearts!!!

Welcome, Trish Morin!

Maine Right to Life Committee is pleased to welcome Trish Morin as our new lobbyist. Trish began working in Augusta this session as a respect life advocate. She is a graduate of Simmons College with experience in television production. For over a decade, she has been a faith leader at St. Bartholomew's Parish. She and her husband, Scott A. Morin, were raised in Lewiston. They live in Cape Elizabeth and are proud parents of two sons. Trish has a number of hobbies and interests including skiing, boating, traveling and volunteering. We are blessed to have her join us on our Board of Directors, as well as serving as our respect life lobbyist in Augusta!

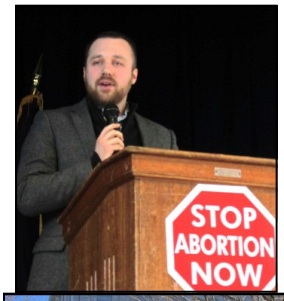
Hands Around the Capitol---

Governor Paul LePage and Congressman Bruce Poliquin Receive Standing O's from Pro-Life Maine!

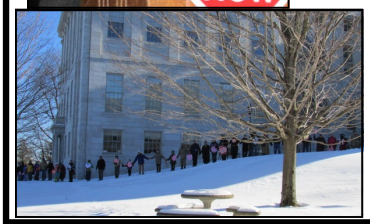
Over 400 dedicated pro-lifers from across Maine filled St. Michael's Gym in Augusta on the bitterly cold morning of January 17 for Maine Right to Life's annual *Hands Around the Capitol* Rally and March commemorating the 42nd memorial of the passage of Roe v. Wade. A Prayer Service and Mass were celebrated prior to the Rally. As pro-lifers entered St. Michael's Gym, many were delighted to see Maine's Governor, Paul LePage, U.S. Congressman Bruce Poliquin, and Maine's Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason mingling shoulder to shoulder in the audience prior to their presentations on the stage. Senator Jim Hamper (R- Oxford), Representative Stacey Guerin (R- Glenburn), Representative Jeff Hanley (R- Pittston), Senator Eric Brakey (R-Auburn) were also mingling with the crowd, as well as former legislators including Representative Stavros Mendros (R- Lewiston) and Representative Steve Hanley (D- Gardiner).

Pro-life Governor LePage received a chorus of standing ovations from pro-life Maine when it was announced that he received more votes than any other Governor in Maine's history. Indeed, Governor LePage's re-election was a sweeping landslide and quite a slap down to those pollsters and pundits who predicted his defeat. Monsignor Andrew Dubois, Moderator of the Curia from the Diocese of Portland, presided at the Mass preceding the Rally, and gave grace-filled remarks and greetings from Bishop Deeley who attended the March for Life in D.C. Congressman Bruce Poliquin brought many to tears when he shared the story of his young wife's tragic death, and his ongoing commitment to cherish life. MRLC presented Congressman Poliquin with a framed inscription inspired by Congressman Henry Hyde, author of the life-saving Hyde Amendment. Pro-Life Maine Senate Majority Leader Garrett Mason urged the audience to schedule time to meet with their legislator *face to face* and share their pro-life beliefs with them. Many were surprised to learn that Senator Mason is the youngest Senator in Maine's history. (He was only 25 years old when he was first elected to the Senate four years ago.) Pro-life icon, Carl Maddaleni shared a preview of Maine Vitae Society's excellent upcoming television commercials and impressive results from the pro-life website TeenBreaks.com. International Christian leader Pastor Bob Emrich pronounced the Invocation and encouraged those attending the rally to be active with upcoming pro-life legislation.

Teresa McCann-Tumidajski provided an overview of the program and informed the audience that **abortions in the past 6 years in Maine have declined by a whopping 28%. 750 unborn children have been saved from the horror of abortion in Maine from 2007-2013.**



2014 Pro-Life University graduates Jared and Jamie McCabe from Farmington provided an inspiring Pro-Life Chalk Talk in which they spoke of the legacy of their dearly deceased Grandma who led by example in her life ministry of protecting the unborn and women from abortion. A video the Chalk Talk is available on Maine Right to Life website:www.MaineRightToLife.com



Hundreds of people, from all parts of Maine, of all ages, marched in solemn solidarity from Saint Michael's gym to the State House. We formed a human chain around the Capitol. As Monsignor Dubois rang the bell 42 times, we bowed our heads out of respect of the 57 million lives taken by legalized abortion since 1973. With each tone of the bell, Linda Milliken from MRLC Board of Directors, placed a perfect red rose at the base of the Capitol Bell. May God have mercy on our nation. *Rest in Peace, Precious Little Ones.*

Hundreds gather in Augusta to commemorate the fateful passage of Roe v Wade.

What's Your Pro-Life IQ?

1. True or False: Abortion accounts for 78% of Planned Parenthood's "services" to pregnant women.
2. Name 4 of the 7 nations in the world that allow elective abortions throughout all nine months of pregnancy.
3. What is the Hyde Amendment?
4. What is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement?
5. Name 3 of the 6 Patricia DeGrinney Life Award winners.
6. True or False: Most abortions are committed by women aged 20-24.
7. Who is Dr. Leroy Carhart?

Answers on Page 4...
No cheating!

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Important DATE!

2015

Respect Life Day, Hall of Flags, Augusta— February 26th

40 Days for Life—February 18h—March 29th, 2015

Mother's Day Carnation Project—
Flower Deliveries May 7th
Mother's Day May 10th

Celebrate *Life!* Walks statewide—July 11th

Pro-Life University—August 8th and 22nd

MRLC Annual Convention—October 17th

Pray for the pro-life conversion of President Obama.

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Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Maine Right to Life is sponsoring the 2nd Annual "Respect Life Day" at the Capitol on **February 26, 2015 from 9AM-1PM** at the Hall of Flags, Augusta. This is not a rally, march or protest. This is an educational venue for legislators and those visiting the Capitol that day. Please join us and other respect life organizations from across Maine!

FMI, contact Teresa@MaineRightToLife.com

ANSWERS: "What's your Pro-Life IQ?"

1. False. In 2013, abortions made up 94 % of Planned Parenthood's pregnancy services, while prenatal care and adoption referrals accounted for only 5% and 0.5% respectively. For every one adoption referral, Planned Parenthood committed 174 abortions.
2. Of the 196 nations in the world, only seven countries allow for barbaric practice of elective abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy: The U.S.A, China, Canada, North Korea, Singapore, Vietnam, and the Netherlands.
3. The Hyde Amendment is a legislative provision passed by the U.S. Congress in 1976 which prohibits federal funding of abortion except in cases of rape, incest, or endangerment to the life of the mother. Henry Hyde was a pro-life Congressman from Illinois whose pro-active leadership is responsible for saving the lives of hundreds of thousands of unborn children.
4. Prayer is the cornerstone of the pro-life movement.
5. Patricia Truman, Margaret Yates, Judy Cushing, Dr. Ronald and Mrs. Mary Lou Carroll, Carl Maddaleni, Barbara Ford.
6. True. Women aged 20-24 obtain 33% of all abortions; women aged 25-29 account for 24% of all abortions. Most abortions are committed by women in their 20's.
7. Dr. Leroy Carhart is an infamous late term abortionist from Nebraska with a long-standing horrific history of performing abortions on viable children up until the day of their due date.
   FMI: http://liveaction.org/inhuman/leroy-carhart-the-facts/

Your Score:
6-7 Correct Answers: Pro-Life Patron
3-5 Correct: Pro-Life Friend
1-2 Correct: Visit our pro-life resource library.

40 Days for Life Campaign
Feb. 18-March 29, 2015
Vigil Hours: 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
In front of Family Planning of Maine
43 Gabriel Drive, Augusta, ME

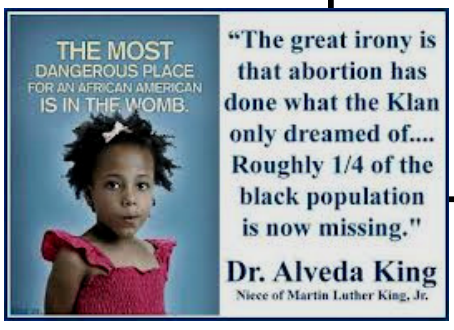
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Help End Abortion in Maine!

Please participate in Maine's 40 Days for Life Campaign this Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18. This is a powerful prayer-based program committed to preserving innocent human life. The Kickoff is Feb. 15. Contact Judy Icenogle, 207-872-6558 or at ricejuice@gwi.net to register for this campaign or go to 40daysforlife.com/augusta-maine for more info.

"Life is a civil right... Abortion is a civil wrong."

Alveda King



Portland Press Herald

M.D. Harmon: Unbelievable as it sounds, body parts from abortions change hands

So why is Planned Parenthood getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

BY **M.D. HARMON**

Back in 2009, I wrote a column about the commercialization of body parts "harvested" from aborted babies, but my editor at the time spiked it.

My source was Lifesitenews.com, a website run by pro-life activists, who called Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, "the Amazon of the fetal parts industry."

But my editor told me that was an unreliable source. Apparently, the idea that abortionists would market the heads, torsos, hearts, lungs, livers and other portions of the unborn was an inherently unbelievable idea.

I don't blame my editor for thinking that. I also had difficulty believing such an inhumane atrocity could occur, but the account was well-sourced, and I thought it deserved attention.

To my surprise, however, within a week ABC News actually aired a report substantially affirming Lifesite's account. My boss conceded that if I cited the ABC report, I could publish the column, and I did.

But then the story lay fallow – until a video was released last week showing a top-level Planned Parenthood official discussing ways to "crush" a baby in the womb so as to preserve the valuable parts.

On the video, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, senior director of medical services for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, sips from a glass of wine while telling undercover pro-life activists posing as "customers" from the "Center for Medical Progress" that:

"… You're just kind of cognizant of where you put your graspers, you try to intentionally go above and below the thorax, so that, you know, we've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that, so I'm not gonna crush that part, I'm going to basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact."

This, although federal law says recipients of fetal tissue may have "no part in any decisions as to the timing, method, or procedures used to terminate the pregnancy made solely for the purposes of research."

But media disbelief hasn't vanished. Otherwise, why would the three major networks and CNN fail to mention the video on their Sunday panel shows? (Yes, Fox News covered it. How biased of them.)

Congressional Republicans have vowed an investigation (apparently Democrats there approve of "targeted crushing").

One beneficiary of Planned Parenthood's baby parts largesse is Stem Express, which advertises a price of $24,250 for a vial of 5 million "cryopreserved" fetal liver cells. And in a brochure, it offers clinical researchers "a financial benefit to your clinic" that will insure "fiscal growth."

If this discussion proves nothing else, at least it shows the claim that the unborn are "just masses of tissue" is false. Tissue masses don't have hearts and livers and brains and lungs. Babies do.

Planned Parenthood, which made $1.3 billion last year and got nearly half that amount, $528 million, in state and federal grants (your tax dollars at work), aborted 327,653 babies last year. Still, as its director, Cecile Richards, noted last week, the "transfer" of baby body parts for research remains legal, if patients consent.

However, reimbursements for the "costs" of such transfers apparently remain highly negotiable. Abby Johnson, who ran a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas and wrote a book about it, "Unplanned," told The Washington Times this week that those payments have no legal upper limit and negotiating them is a "subjective" process.

On Tuesday, the activists released a second video (more are said to be on the way), this one showing Dr. Mary Gatter, a medical director at Planned Parenthood centers in California, conducting one of these "subjective" negotiations.

Gatter said she didn't want to "lowball" the price and said she would have to check to see what other centers were charging.

She added that she "wouldn't object" to asking abortionists to use a "less crunchy" vacuum method to help keep organs intact.

However, she noted that could potentially violate the federal agreements that patients and providers must sign, verifying the intent to donate the aborted remains and certifying that abortions yielding research parts are absolutely identical to ones that don't.

But Gatter said, "I think that's a specious little argument," and added, "I don't think our patients would care one iota, so, yeah, I'm not making a fuss about that."

Gatter then told investigators, who offered a $100-per-sample price, "Let me just figure out what others are getting, and if this is in the ballpark, then it's fine, if it's still low, then we can bump it up. I want a Lamborghini."

Then she giggled. Some joke.

In response, Planned Parenthood resorted to a "kill-the-messenger" strategy, trying to spin the videos as "edited and out of context." But the full versions are online, and no one has offered any context to make them less atrocious.

So why is this (multiple adjectives deleted) organization getting one red cent of taxpayer money?

Maine is Choosing Life!

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Abortions-Maine residents	2611	2541	2330	2226	1644
Pregnancies-Maine residents	16787	16208	15843	15236	14404
ME Population, Female age 15-44	253292	250005	245825	241923	239185
U.S. Abortion Ratio	*22.9*	*23.2*	*22.7*		
ME Abortion Ratio/pregnancies, %	15.6	15.7	14.7	14.6	11.4
U.S. Abortion Rate	*15.8*	*15.9*	*15.1*		
ME Abortion Rate /1000 pop	10.3	10.2	9.5	9.2	6.9

- Between 2007-2011, Maine's female population ages 15-44 decreased by 5.6% while those choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37%.
- From 2007- 2011 the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6% to 11.4%.
- The overall rate of women age 15-44 electing to have an abortion dropped from 10.3 in 2007 to 6.9 in 2011.

Abortion Rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.
Abortion Ratio is the number of abortions per live births.

The total number of pregnancies is the number of live births, the number of fetal demise, and the number of induced abortion for Maine residents. Abortions that are performed in Maine to non-residents are not included in the calculation.
Information Provided by Maine CDC and U.S. CDC.

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Abortions by Termination Procedure

Termination Procedure	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Suction Curettage	1310	1335	1533	1393	1841	1966	2156	2322
Sharp Curettage	9	5	0	1	3	7	4	2
Dilation & Evacuation	107	95	86	17	2	3	3	0
Intra-uterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (non-surgical)	594	500	398	357	465	437	460	364
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Other	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unknown	0	1	28	5	0	0	0	0
Total	**2021**	**1939**	**2046**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**

Number of Abortions by Gestation

By Gestation	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
< 9 Weeks	1308	1237	1319	1224	1630	1614	1795	1789
9 Weeks	200	165	220	177	238	259	279	314
10 Weeks	107	150	135	105	147	166	173	189
11 Weeks	99	121	99	93	89	135	131	145
12 Weeks	93	94	105	87	97	105	123	134
13 Weeks	77	63	61	53	82	96	79	86
14 Weeks	34	24	41	16	5	16	17	10
15 Weeks	34	28	26	5	1	4	8	1
16 Weeks	7	7	8	0	1	2	1	4
17 Weeks	21	15	11	2	3	1	2	1
18 Weeks	16	14	6	4	0	1	1	2
19 Weeks	7	2	6	0	5	6	3	3
20+ Weeks	18	13	9	6	12	3	11	10
Unknown	0	6	0	1	1	5	0	1
Total	**2021**	**1939**	**2046**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**

Abortions By Age of Mother

Age	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
< 10 Years Old	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
10-14 Years Old	4	4	2	7	11	7	7	10
15 Years Old	5	10	12	9	24	18	23	26
16 Years Old	24	33	26	21	29	50	41	57
17 Years Old	51	47	54	48	46	64	97	96
18 Years Old	75	62	85	81	110	127	130	135
19 Years Old	78	102	126	95	166	138	176	169
20-24 Years Old	660	651	673	616	781	853	921	937
25-29 Years Old	539	495	504	415	552	603	597	608
30-34 Years Old	326	282	328	260	324	280	323	335
35-39 Years Old	172	159	163	155	186	193	238	212
40-44 Years Old	75	79	62	50	77	75	64	81
Greater than 44	6	10	8	2	4	5	3	3
Unknown	3	4	3	11	1	0	3	20
Total	**2021**	**1939**	**2046**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**

Induced Abortions & Outcome of Previous Pregnancies

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total # of Abortions	**2021**	**1939**	**2046**	**1773**	**2311**	**2413**	**2623**	**2689**
With 1 prior birth	493	493	460	391	541	557	641	588
With 2 prior births	329	319	352	297	360	395	429	451
With 3+ prior births	171	165	171	151	204	192	206	211
Unknown prior births	4	4	7	7	1	0	0	0
Total w/prior births	**997**	**981**	**990**	**846**	**1106**	**1144**	**1276**	**1250**
With 1 prior abortion	454	431	481	427	517	589	656	705
With 2 prior abortions	171	155	164	148	200	230	231	236
With 3 + prior abortions	80	84	106	69	106	117	108	109
Unknown prior abortions	1	2	5	7	1	0	0	0
Total w/prior abortions	**706**	**672**	**756**	**651**	**824**	**936**	**995**	**1050**
With 1 prior spontaneous abortion	251	258	277	220	273	277	311	318
With 2 prior spontaneous abortions	65	59	45	56	54	64	59	60
With 3+ prior spontaneous abortions	31	25	35	27	27	33	41	29
Unknow prior spontaneous abortions	1	2	6	6	2	0	0	0
Total w/prior spontaeneous abortions	**348**	**344**	**363**	**309**	**356**	**374**	**411**	**407**

Kermit Gosnell

Pulling Back the Curtain on the Reality of Abortion

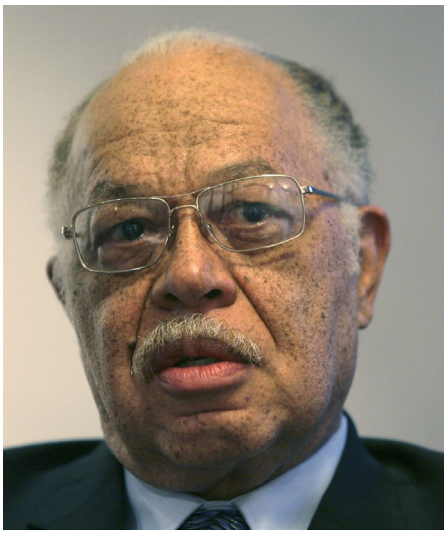
The Facts

In April 2013, abortionist Kermit Gosnell was convicted on three counts of murder in the deaths of 3 newborn babies.

Gosnell routinely delivered live babies and then ended their lives by severing their spinal cords with scissors. The Grand Jury Report estimates hundreds of babies met similar fates at Gosnell's Philadelphia abortion center.

Gosnell preyed on vulnerable women with his abortion business and subjected them to dangerous and unsanitary conditions. One woman named Karnamaya Mongar died at Gosnell's center after an overdose of Demerol. After Mongar's death, a former employee said Gosnell reassured her that she'd done nothing wrong.

According to the Grand Jury Report, for political reasons, the PA Department of Health ceased inspections of abortion centers allowing the atrocities to continue for years.



"This case is about a doctor who killed babies and endangered women...Over the years, many people came to know that something was going on here. But no one put a stop to it."
- Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

"Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn't call it that. He called it "ensuring fetal demise." The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby's neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that "snipping." - Grand Jury Report, Jan. 2011.

Media Blackout

Initially, the media refused to cover the Gosnell case. Pro-life advocates and bloggers stormed social media to compel the media to cover the trial. The effort led to national coverage and resulted in a Fox News documentary entitled "See No Evil."

"I asked one of the court staff why so few are interested.
'If you're pro-choice, do you really want anybody to know about this,' he said, motioning to the filthy medical equipment set up in the courtroom."
– JD Mullane, reporter for the Bucks County Courier Times *

"Infant beheadings. Severed baby feet in jars. A child screaming after it was delivered alive during an abortion procedure…Let me state the obvious. This should be front page news…
We've forgotten what belongs on Page One." - columnist Kirsten Powers*

Implications

The Gosnell case provides further evidence that a great deal of the late abortion iceberg is below the water.

Kermit Gosnell was convicted of murder for severing the necks of just-born babies, but those babies would have died just as painfully if he had killed them inside the womb, as most late-term abortionists do. The result is the same for the baby whether it meets its end in a shabby clinic like Gosnell's or a brand new Planned Parenthood facility -- a painful death.

"(Details of the Gosnell trial) have shocked the nation's conscience regarding the culture of abortion. This trial and this verdict will generate serious discussion about abortion policy in the United States and elsewhere." - blogger Mollie Ziegler Hemingway*

"Gosnell pulls the curtain back from the inherent violence of abortion. You can't sit in that courtroom and learn about what abortion does to the unborn child and to the woman in many cases … you can't sit there day after day and week after week and listen to that testimony and not be changed, and not have a change of heart, or at least reconsider your position." – reporter JD Mullane*

Protecting Life

National Right to Life strongly supports the passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

UNBORN BABIES FEEL PAIN!

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act would provide nationwide protection for unborn children who are capable of feeling pain, beginning at 20 weeks fetal age (equivalent to "22 weeks of pregnancy"), the beginning of the sixth month.

"This legislation reflects the views of the overwhelming majority of both men and women," said NRLC President Carol Tobias. "The Obama White House, and all but a handful of House Democrats, fought for essentially unlimited abortion in the sixth month or later, despite growing public awareness of the violence perpetrated by late-term abortionists such as Kermit Gosnell and the pain they inflict on unborn babies."

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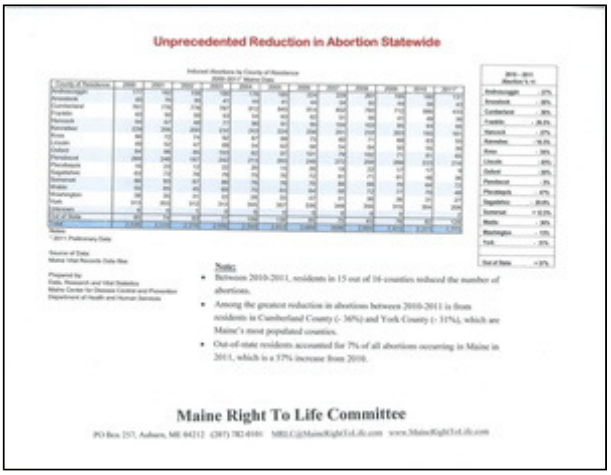
Maine Voices: Abortion numbers show tide is turning, minds are changing

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear that abortion is not the answer.

By TERESA McCANN-TUMIDAJSKI

AUBURN — There is a paradigm shift in the women's movement.



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The majesty of motherhood has co-opted "choice" for more and more Maine women.

The 2011 Induced Abortion Report from the Maine Center for Disease Control indicates that abortions in Maine plunged to a historic record low of 1,773.

That's an amazing 23.3 percent reduction in abortions from 2010, or 538 precious children saved in just one year.

From the recent peak total of 2,689 abortions in 2007, abortions declined for the fourth straight year by 916, or 34 percent during the four-year period.

This is clearly a trend for life that cannot be denied or minimized.

The people of Maine are speaking loud and clear. Abortion is not the answer, even if the law enshrines it.

In 2011, abortions dramatically decreased in all regions of Maine.

In fact, 15 out of 16 Maine counties report reduced numbers of abortions.

Maine's most populated counties, Cumberland and York, saw decreases in abortion by 36 percent and 31 percent respectively.

This is truly a watershed moment.

You may recall former President Clinton stating, "Abortion should be safe, legal and rare." Why, then, is there a virtual blackout by Maine's mainstream media of this glorious news?

There is no single, silver bullet to attribute this unprecedented decline in abortions. Decades of perseverance, education and grass-roots advocacy by thousands of dedicated and compassionate pro-life Mainers have been instrumental in bringing us to this historic moment. Pro-life organizations, pregnancy resource centers, prayer groups, valiant post-abortive women and technology are now aligned.

The marvels of modern technology have intersected with the eternal truth: Life begins at conception. Each human life has inherent value and dignity.

Thousands of ultrasound images of our pre-born babies are now the first photos of our children. Parents and grandparents proudly display these beautiful images on their iPads and on their refrigerators. At 8 weeks' gestation, fathers and mothers can now see their tiny pre-born child kicking her legs and moving her little arms up and down. It is clear to see that she just wants a chance at life, and a chance to live.

Pro-choice advocates and the abortion lobby would have you believe that the reduced number of abortions in Maine is due to increased contraception and sex education. But a closer look at the numbers tells a different story, particularly with sexually transmitted diseases like gonorrhea.

The Maine CDC reports that incidents of gonorrhea in Maine have quadrupled in the past four years. There is now an alarming worldwide rise of this STD that is resistant to most drugs, concerning public health officials.

Economists could opine that Maine's "graying population" or reduced births may be responsible for these low abortion numbers. But the Maine CDC Abortion Report indicates from 2007 to 2011, Maine's female population ages 15 to 44 decreased by 5.6 percent, while those Maine residents choosing abortion decreased a whopping 37 percent. From 2007 to 2011, the ratio of abortions to the number of pregnancies dropped from 15.6 percent to 11.4 percent. Additionally, the abortion rate dropped from 10.3 percent in 2007 to only 6.9 percent in 2011.

Maine's abortion numbers, rate and ratio have plummeted. The tide is turning. We are changing hearts, minds, attitudes and behaviors in favor of life, one precious child at a time. True compassion and caring for women and their unborn children in need will ultimately trump the

hollow, barren ring of “choice.”

As abortions continue to decline at a record pace, pro-choice extremists have cranked up the rhetoric. They tout any proposed abortion restriction as a so-called “war on women” intended to “judge” or “shame” women, even though poll after poll, year after year, indicates a vast majority want restrictions on abortion. The May 2-7, 2013 Gallup Poll, for instance, shows only 26 percent favor legalized abortion under any circumstances. Does that mean 74 percent of Americans want to shame women? I don’t think so.

Yes, there is a paradigm shift. The so-called “war on women” has really become a war within the womb.

And the precious pearl deep within the womb is of inestimable value. Indeed, it is nature’s most vulnerable and prized resource: the unborn human child.

And it looks like that tiny, innocent baby is finally starting to win.

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Pro-Life Chalk Talk

Jamie and Jared McCabe
Aged 16 and 14 years old
Pro-Life University Student Presentation
August 2014

I have a story to share with you about a very special person in my life, my grandma. To us known as Grandma Dootise. Grandma Dootise was all love. She loved God, she loved her family, and she loved the sanctity of human life, which led her to serve twenty plus years at Birthright pregnancy center in Hyannis, Massachusetts. Her work was the difference between caring and saying you care, getting your hands dirty and being right on the front line. Because of confidentiality, there were areas of her work she couldn't share with us, but when her day was done her body language would reveal a life given, or a life taken. How far will we go to speak the truth in love? When society has cast out these women, will we be there to hold their hand and declare life?

In 1986, tragedy struck, and a life altering event took place. Grandma Dootsie was diagnosed with breast cancer, and it shook her family to the core. The fragility of life was now coming full circle. Her days were now filled with doctors appointments, medical treatments including chemotherapy, and lots of rest in between. It was a long year, and her family witnessed the physical agony of this disease. This faith walk brought her prayer life to a whole new level. My grandma had a deep relationship with Jesus, and she asked Him to spare her life, and that's just what He did. I was born in 1998, and my brother Jared in 2000. I got to share thirteen wonderful years with her, and Jared 11 years. When my Grandma regained her health, she was right back at Birthright where she belonged, and as a result, I guess we'll never know how many lives God chose to save.

The Bible says in 1 Samuel 2:6. "The Lord kills and makes us alive, He brings down to the grave and brings up." You see, here's the thing, all the money in the world, the best hospitals, the best doctors, the best nurses, the best medical treatment in the world can't save us. They don't get to choose whether we live or die. All power on heaven and earth belong to Him. Ultimately, God is the giver and taker of life.

On my Grandma Dootsie's deathbed I distinctly remember her saying to my brothers and I to get into politics. She was passing the torch to us for the unborn. I hope I'm honoring her request today. Our voice can be power. One pro-life voice left a legacy that changed three generations, and potentially four if I have children.

Men, let's rise up. We will face God someday. What will we say? Are we prepared? What does the bible say about the value of women? In Proverbs 3:15 it states "She is more precious than rubies, and all the things you may desire can not compare to her." Are we devoted to the cause of making women feel safe? Do we treat them with kindness, love, respect? As ambassadors for Christ we are expected to defend the unborn. There is a sense of urgency here. Men, let's remember what God has trusted us with.

In closing, one thing we can all agree on is Jesus and His great love for us. The cross says it all. He gave everything for us, including His very own life. Are we going to follow his example? Where do you stand?

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From the State House

REP. ELLIE ESPLING
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Maine people owe Planned Parenthood nothing

Democrats seems to want to regulate every other organization, but they say any oversight of Planned Parenthood is off limits.

BY **REP. ELLIE ESPLING**

It's getting tiresome to watch Maine Democrats tie themselves in knots trying to prevent any type of oversight of Planned Parenthood. Here is a party that seems to struggle to find anything it doesn't want to regulate, now fighting tooth and nail to keep an outpatient surgical facility, which receives hundreds of millions of dollars in taxpayer funds, from having any regulation, oversight or accountability at all.

Over the past few months, a series of disturbing videos has surfaced, videos that show Planned Parenthood officials engaging in the sale of aborted fetal tissue and body parts and, in some cases, haggling over the price.

Multiple media reports have confirmed the authenticity of these videos, despite the claims of Planned Parenthood and their supporters that they were altered or deceptively edited.

Since these videos have come to light, Planned Parenthood has launched a campaign of misinformation, mostly by misleading people through omission. For example, it claims that in a recent poll 70 percent of Mainers agree with it, and Planned Parenthood should continue to receive federal and state dollars without the accompanying oversight that usually goes along with that type of public funding.

A Planned Parenthood official admitted this week on a Portland radio show that the poll it references was commissioned and paid for by — you guessed it — Planned Parenthood. Meaning it was in charge of how the question was worded, and who was asked the question. I'm surprised it couldn't get more than 70 percent, considering it rigged the game. If it is confident that people agree with its position, then why stack the deck?

I proposed legislation, L.R. 2169: An Act Regarding the Disposition of Fetal Tissue from Abortions, that would simply ensure that these vile practices are not going in this state.

Currently in Maine, an abortion provider must fill out a form every time an abortion is performed. That information includes the name of the facility, the county where the abortion was performed and the estimated gestation of the fetus. I proposed adding the following information to that form: The name and address of any person who takes custody of the fetal tissue, with the exception of a funeral establishment or a crematorium; the amount of any compensation paid in exchange for the tissue; and whether the patient granted informed consent for the transfer of custody.

I don't think that is asking too much when we consider what has come to light over the past few months. But Democrats on the Legislative Council did vote not to allow this bill to be considered during the upcoming session.

This should come as no surprise. Democrats have protected the "right" of Planned Parenthood to operate with taxpayer funds, in a cavalier manner and without a shred of accountability to taxpayers. In other words, in the eyes of the Democrats, Planned Parenthood is untouchable, and it owes the taxpayers who subsidize its existence nothing.

Last session, my colleague, Rep. Deb Sanderson, R-Chelsea, put forward a bill that would have brought abortion clinics in Maine up to the same standard of licensing and accountability as every other outpatient surgical facility in the state. Democrats quickly killed the bill.

Other legislation that the Legislative Council will considering next week would divert public funds away from Planned Parenthood and give the money to other facilities in Maine that provide the same women's health care services. Nearly 200 locations in Maine provide far more comprehensive women's health care than Planned Parenthood, so why are Democrats so quick to defend it even amidst the most vile of wrongdoings?

Perhaps it's because Planned Parenthood is a very generous contributor to Democratic candidates running for the Maine Legislature, giving close to $1 million to help them get elected in 2014 alone.

Regardless of one's stance on abortion, after seeing these videos, we legislators are required to act, not turn a blind eye and simply stand with Planned Parenthood just to make sure those precious campaign contributions keep rolling in.

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M.D. Harmon: Planned Parenthood buffer zone a fundamental threat to liberty

Laws that prevent one side from engaging in civil conversation but permit the other can't be tolerated.

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear."

– George Orwell, original preface to "Animal Farm"

The Portland City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve an ordinance that tells Mr. Orwell where to put his pious declarations about vacuous concepts such as "liberty."

It offers the same message to the Founders, who thought freedom of speech vital enough to protect it in the First Amendment.

However, we are now told, such foolish vaporings should only apply as long as no one objects to them.

Such objectors, who may be made "uncomfortable," "feel bad" or even claim to be "intimidated" by others' speech, now have a veto over their rights.

Such is the case in Portland, where for about 18 months, a dozen or so pro-life advocates have lined a Congress Street sidewalk outside the local offices of Planned Parenthood and held signs and directed comments at that facility's staff and clients.

If, as some patrons and staff claim, such comments are personally condemnatory, I would join in criticizing them. One does not support a moral cause by acting in an immoral manner.

On the other hand, if it is wrong to kill an innocent baby in its mother's womb, it is wrong no matter who says what about it.

And not enough attention has been paid to the organization they are protesting, because Planned Parenthood in America:

• Is the nation's largest abortion provider: In the 2011 fiscal year, it says it performed 333,964 abortions, or one abortion every 94 seconds, totaling more than a third of all "terminations" performed in the United States.

• Claims such procedures amount to only "3 percent" of its activities: But some who are familiar with its procedures, including former clinic director Abby Johnson of Texas, say that it manipulates numbers to minimize what abortion adds to the group's bottom line.

• Operates an extremely lucrative enterprise: Its assets total more than $1.2 billion; its CEO, Cecile Richards, makes nearly $400,000 a year.

• And soaks in taxpayer subsidies: Last year, the group took in $542 million in state and federal grants, even as the sequester was cutting funding for government activities such as the National Park Service, aid to disabled children and the military.

But let's return to "buffer zones." Portland has established a 39-foot exclusionary zone around the organization's office, forcing protesters across the street and preventing conversations with people entering the building.

However, as the Boston Globe's Jeff Jacoby pointed out in a Nov. 10 column, the U.S. Supreme Court is poised to take up McCullen v. Coakley, a Massachusetts suit challenging that state's 35-foot exclusionary zones.

It is, as Jacoby noted, "the strictest such law in the nation. Violators can be punished with up to 30 months in prison and fines of up to $30,000."

That isn't the only high court involvement with this issue. On Tuesday, justices refused on a 5-4 vote to block a Texas law requiring doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital.

The law was based on a Pennsylvania measure enacted after Dr. Kermit Gosnell of Philadelphia was convicted of murdering three babies and involuntary manslaughter in the death of a client.

Abortion supporters said the Texas law would close a third of that state's abortion facilities.

But shouldn't the fact that such sites are obviously staffed by "providers" who lack the qualifications to have clients admitted for hospital care be a more important public concern?

Regarding the protesters, many laws apply to speech-related crimes such as slander, libel and the famous "falsely shouting 'Fire!' in a crowded theater."

Still, laws that block protesters from having a civil conversation with another person on a public sidewalk, while letting clinic staffers speak with whomever they want in the same place, privilege pro-abortion speech and penalize its opposite. That would have driven the Founders bonkers.

As Jacoby said, "A lot of people don't want to hear that abortion is wrong, or to be confronted with images of babies in the womb, or to be reminded that 'choice' is a euphemism for the destruction of human life. Many Americans may find such messages alarming, outrageous, or upsetting, especially when they are directed at girls or women going to get an abortion."

And because they don't want to hear it, they use the power of government against their opponents.

But, Jacoby adds, "the First Amendment wasn't written to shield citizens in public spaces from unpopular or distressing speech. It was written to shield unpopular or distressing speech from being suppressed in public spaces."

Right now, Portland can do what it wants. Sometime next year, though, we may discover that

what it wants to do isn't what the Constitution says it is allowed to do.

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Total Abortions Occurring in Maine

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Total	4025	3277	2846	3836	4412	4445	4418	4767	4723	4685
Age of Mother										
<15	36	22	26	26	36	32	38	24	29	34
15-17	510	371	291	468	615	582	688	737	721	551
18-19	693	558	497	667	735	797	690	716	739	702
20-24	1481	1196	1066	1364	1537	1526	1456	1566	1480	1511
25-29	760	613	504	712	816	766	819	894	872	936
30-34	321	319	278	371	402	418	398	472	474	555
35-39	153	133	121	159	198	232	217	210	231	263
40+	71	65	63	69	73	92	112	148	177	133

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total	4607	3827	3226	3301	3089	2819	2602	2543	2408	2427
Age of Mother										
<15	23	19	19	23	21	19	21	11	12	17
15-17	444	359	255	273	244	292	238	279	245	219
18-19	647	510	364	396	379	369	365	342	329	347
20-24	1563	1289	1054	1109	995	888	766	767	736	765
25-29	981	767	697	665	634	564	542	497	492	460
30-34	568	523	471	469	439	352	324	330	292	297
35-39	275	268	246	251	258	240	242	220	202	208
40+	106	92	120	115	119	95	104	97	100	114

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	2536	2515	2315	2550	2593	2653	2672	2689	2623	2413
Age of Mother										
<15	11	8	7	9	8	12	11	10	7	7
15-17	214	212	191	182	189	188	178	179	161	132
18-19	357	332	292	291	317	322	294	304	306	265
20-24	773	834	811	919	867	863	966	937	921	853
25-29	515	494	436	535	564	569	561	608	597	603
30-34	338	302	297	330	318	329	330	335	323	280
35-39	241	226	179	194	229	201	209	212	238	193
40+	87	107	102	90	101	169	123	104	70	80

	2010	2011	2012**	2013
Total	2311	1773		1939
Age of Mother				
<15	11	10		5
15-17	99	78		90
18-19	276	176		164
20-24	781	616		651
25-29	552	415		495
30-34	324	260		282
35-39	186	155		159
40+	82	63		93

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***2012 Final data not yet available from the CDC*

Where Do the Candidates Stand on Life?

Candidates *By party, in alphabetical order*	Roe v. Wade/Abortion *The 1973 Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton Supreme Court decisions legalized abortion on demand throughout the United States, resulting in more than 57 million abortions since then.*	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act *S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, would prohibit abortions (with narrow exceptions) after the unborn child is capable of feeling pain from abortion.*	Government Funding for Abortion Providers *S. 1881 would end all federal funding of the nation's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood. The money would be given instead to women's health service providers.*
Where Do the Republican Presidential Candidates Stand on Life?			
Jeb Bush (R) *Former Governor of Florida*	Jeb Bush had a strong pro-life record as governor of Florida. *"When we see life not yet born, we should welcome it with love. When we see life compromised by disease or near its natural end, we should treat it as a treasure, not a burden."*	*"I'm pleased to share my support of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which will prevent elective abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy, protecting both unborn children and the health of pregnant women."*	*"As governor of Florida I defunded Planned Parenthood. I created a culture of life. We should, and the next president should defund Planned Parenthood."*
Ben Carson (R) *Former Neurosurgeon*	*"I am unabashedly and entirely pro-life. Human life begins at conception and innocent life must be protected."*	*"I urge our legislators in Congress to swiftly vote on the legislation known as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. It is legislation that values life which in the end is what we are here for."*	*"I'm urging Congress to eliminate every last dime of Planned Parenthood funding."*
Chris Christie (R) *Governor of New Jersey*	*"I am proud to be a pro-life Republican. I believe that every life is an individual gift from God, and that no life is disposable."* *"I just stand on my record. I mean, I'm pro-life."*	*"One proposal that brings Americans together is the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which would protect unborn children beginning at 20 weeks... based on their ability to feel pain."*	*"I defunded Planned Parenthood in New Jersey six years ago. We've defunded it every year for the last six years. Now, with the most recent revelation, there's even more reason not to fund [it]."*
Ted Cruz (R) *U.S. Senator from Texas*	Ted Cruz has a 100% pro-life voting record since joining the Senate in 2013.	*"I remain a strong supporter of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act...and that is an important step in recognizing the sanctity of life."*	*"There is no place for taxpayer funding of organizations that profit from taking away innocent life, much less profiting off the bodies of the lives they have stolen."*
Carly Fiorina (R) *Former Hewlett Packard CEO*	*"I am proudly pro-life. I believe that every human life has potential and that every human life is precious."*	*"I am proud to support the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act and urge both houses of Congress to hold swift votes on this life-saving legislation."*	*"I would vote to defund Planned Parenthood. It doesn't matter if you are pro-choice or pro-life. Every woman, every man has to look at these videos and think, what has gone wrong in our nation?"*
Jim Gilmore (R) *Former Governor of Virginia*	*"After that period of time* [eight weeks] *I think there should be no further abortions."* *"As governor, I won't ask taxpayers to pay for abortions. I won't support late-term abortion, and I'll make sure parents are involved..."*	As governor, Gilmore signed a Partial-Birth Abortion Ban. *"I won't support late-term abortion."*	
Lindsey Graham (R) *U.S. Senator from South Carolina*	Lindsey Graham has a strong pro-life voting record in Congress. *"There is no part of society more vulnerable and in need of our protection than the unborn. The inalienable right to life of every innocent human being is an essential element of a civil society."*	Sen. Graham is the lead sponsor of S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the U.S. Senate.	*"I wholly support the defunding of Planned Parenthood... As president, I pledge I would never send a budget to Capitol Hill that contains a penny of funding for Planned Parenthood."*
Mike Huckabee (R) *Former Governor of Arkansas*	*"As governor, I promoted and signed a fetal protection act...a ban on partial-birth abortion, established waiting periods, created parental notification requirements..."*	*"I am writing to you today to wholeheartedly endorse the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. ...Its passage is an important step in the right direction for our nation."*	*"Enough is enough. Stand with me as we fight to defund Planned Parenthood."*
Bobby Jindal (R) *Governor of Louisiana*	While in the U.S. House of Representatives, Bobby Jindal had a 100% pro-life voting record. As governor, he signed many pro-life laws including a pain-capable unborn child protection law, and an ultrasound law.	*"This legislation* [the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act] *is necessary for protecting unborn children nationwide, at 20 weeks or more postfertilization, from painful abortions."*	Gov. Jindal opened a state investigation into Planned Parenthood and announced the state's termination of the medical agreement with Planned Parenthood, citing their "fundamental disrespect for human life."
John Kasich (R) *Governor of Ohio*	John Kasich had a strong pro-life voting record in the 18 years he served in Congress. As governor, Kasich has signed 16 pro-life laws.	While in the U.S. House of Representatives, Kasich voted in support of the Partial-Birth Abortion Act. As governor, he has signed a law banning abortions after viability.	As governor, Kasich stripped Planned Parenthood funding by $1.4 million.
George Pataki (R) *Former Governor of New York*	George Pataki's record on life is mixed. As a member of the state Assembly, he voted against state funding of abortions. In 1990, he changed his position to "pro-choice" while running for the state Senate. As governor, he supported government funding for abortions.	*"Doctors say that at 20 weeks that is a viable life inside the womb. And at that point, it's a life we have the right to protect, and I think we should protect."*	*"...Roe v. Wade, it's been the law of the land for 42 years and I don't think we should continue to try to change it. But what we can do is defund Planned Parenthood."*

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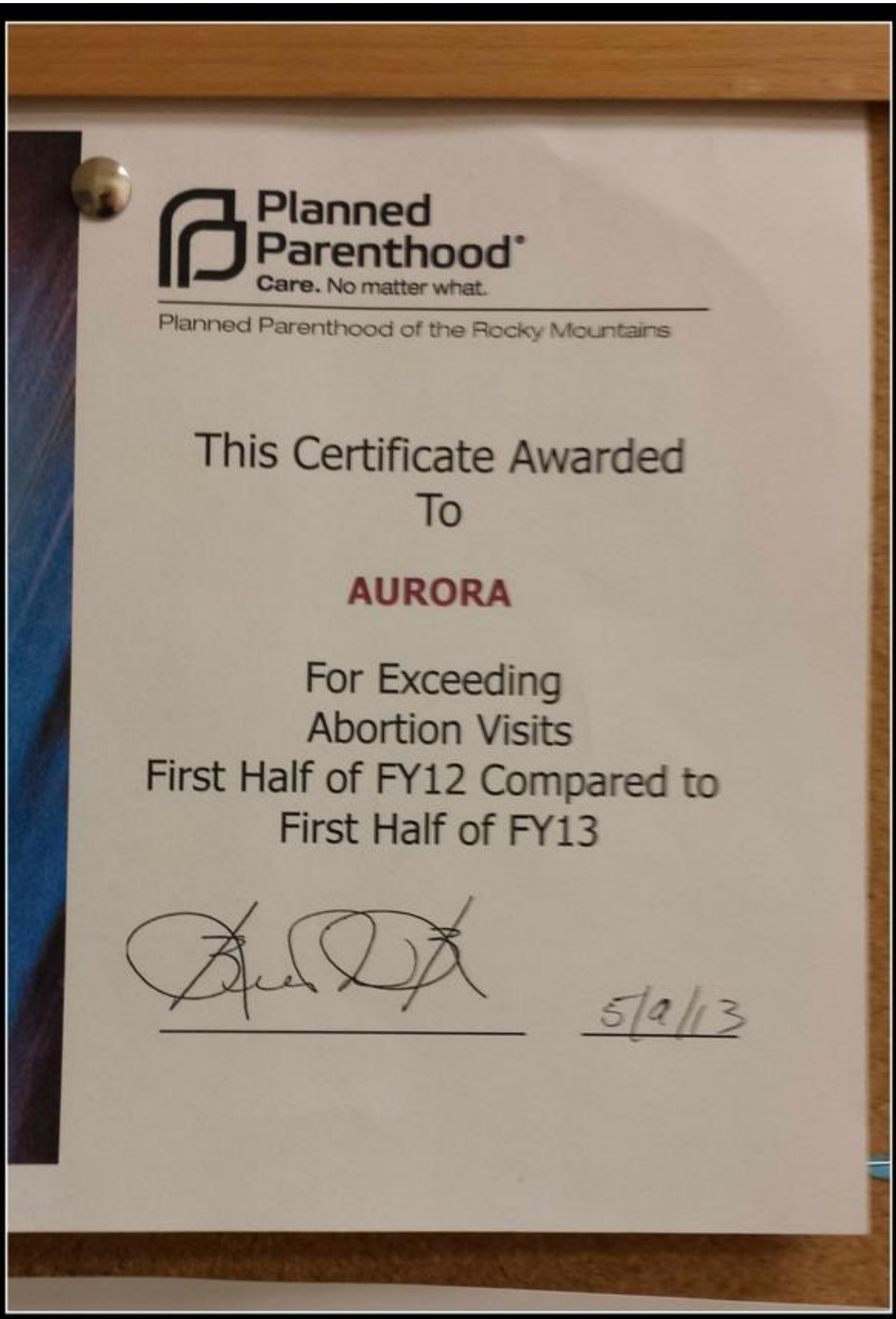
Rand Paul (R) *U. S. Senator from Kentucky*	Rand Paul has a 100% pro-life voting record since his term began in 2011.	Sen. Paul is a cosponsor of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the 114th Congress. *"I support your efforts to raise awareness of this bill and join your call for consideration in the U.S. Senate."*	He pledged to: *"...do whatever I can to stop them and will introduce an amendment to pending Senate legislation to immediately strip every dollar of Planned Parenthood funding."*
Rick Perry (R) *Former Governor of Texas*	Under Gov. Rick Perry's leadership, Texas passed pro-life legislation including the Women's Right to Know Act, an ultrasound law, a parental consent law, and a law protecting pain-capable babies from abortion.	As governor, Perry signed into law H.R. 2, an omnibus bill which included a ban on abortions after 20 weeks, when the unborn child can feel pain.	*"It is because of stories like this that I signed legislation defunding Planned Parenthood in the state of Texas -- to protect life and the health and safety of Texans."*
Marco Rubio (R) *U. S. Senator from Florida*	Marco Rubio has a 100% pro-life voting record since his term began in 2011. *"The dignity of each and every human life is fundamental."*	Rubio is an original cosponsor of S. 1553, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act in the 114th Congress. *"Surely we should aspire to be a nation where we protect unborn babies who can feel pain, respond to touch..."*	*"I am sickened by the complete disregard for innocent unborn life evident at Planned Parenthood. I'm proud that one of my first actions in the Senate was voting to defund this organization."*
Rick Santorum (R) *Former U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania*	Rick Santorum had a strong pro-life voting record throughout his legislative career. In 1997, Santorum led the fight for passage of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, which was signed into law by President G.W. Bush.	*"As a committed pro-life American, I believe this legislation* [the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act] *is an important step towards protecting our nation's unborn children."*	*"...always have been and always will be in favor of defunding Planned Parenthood and their destruction and now exploitation of human life."*
Donald Trump (R) *CEO and Businessman*	*"I'm pro-life but I changed my view a number of years ago. It really, really troubles me, and it really, really bothers me, the whole concept of abortion."*	After consulting with doctors about the partial-birth abortion procedure, Trump concluded that he would support a ban on that method.	Trump has given different statements about defunding Planned Parenthood, saying "absolutely they should be defunded," yet agreeing funding could go to Planned Parenthood's "good aspects".
Scott Walker (R) *Governor of Wisconsin*	*"I was raised to believe in the sanctity of human life and I will always fight to protect it. In my past four years as governor, we have made substantial progress in the fight for our pro-life values in Wisconsin."*	As governor, Walker signed Wisconsin's Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act on July 20, 2015.	*"Practices like this cannot be tolerated, which is why as governor, I defunded Planned Parenthood."*
Where Do the Democratic Presidential Candidates Stand on Life?			
Joe Biden (D) *Vice President*	Joe Biden supports the current policy of abortion on demand. Biden voted for the Harkin Amendment to endorse *Roe v. Wade*, which allows abortion for any reason.	Biden criticized the U.S. Supreme Court majority for upholding the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act in 2007.	August 25, 2008 headline in a Planned Parenthood press release: "Planned Parenthood applauds Barack Obama's choice of Sen. Joe Biden as his vice-presidential nominee."
Lincoln Chafee (I) *Former Governor of Rhode Island*	Lincoln Chafee supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	While in the U.S. Senate, Chafee voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.	Chafee tweeted: *"I support Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood has a long record of helping women."*
Hillary Clinton (D) *Former U.S. Senator from New York*	As a U.S. senator, Hillary Clinton maintained a 0% pro-life record, voting against the pro-life position on every vote. In 2003, Clinton voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, and voted to endorse *Roe v. Wade*, which allows abortion on demand for any reason.	When the U.S. House passed the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act on May 13, 2015, Clinton issued a statement opposing the bill, referring to it as part of a dangerous trend.	Despite disturbing revelations in undercover videos, Clinton reiterated her support for Planned Parenthood. In 2009, Clinton was awarded Planned Parenthood's Margaret Sanger Award.
Martin O'Malley (D) *Former Governor of Maryland*	Martin O'Malley supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	O'Malley supported Maryland's 1992 referendum that declared abortions legal for any reason until the baby is viable.	In April 2014, O'Malley received Planned Parenthood of Maryland's award "for advancing reproductive rights in Maryland."
Bernie Sanders (I) *U. S. Senator from Vermont*	Bernie Sanders has maintained a solid pro-abortion voting record, voting against the pro-life position more than 100 times in his federal legislative career.	Sanders voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act every opportunity he had.	Sanders voted against advancing S. 1881, the bill to ban federal funding of Planned Parenthood. His vote would allow federal funding of Planned Parenthood to continue.
Jim Webb (D) *Former U. S. Senator from Virginia*	Jim Webb had a 0% pro-life voting record in the U.S. Senate, voting 19 of 19 times against the pro-life position.	Webb supports the current policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.	On April 14, 2011, Webb voted against a bill to cut off federal funding for Planned Parenthood.



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www.abortionworker.com

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

Feb. 29, 2016

MEDIA STATEMENT: Telemedicine Abortions

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Auburn, Maine)

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Telemedicine abortions set a dangerous precedent and serious health risks to Maine women. For the first time in Maine's history since passage of Roe v Wade, a physician would not be required to be with a woman during an abortion. The abortionist would not even be required to examine the patient nor meet her in person. Telemedicine is not used for any other invasive procedures in our nation.

Regardless of where you stand on the abortion issue, Maine women deserve the best medical care; not cheap, poor quality care prescribed over the internet. At least 11 women have died after a medication abortion. Telemedicine abortions would lead us backwards into the future, while compromising the health of Maine women. Technology should enhance health care, not compromise it.

The safety and well being of Maine citizens should be placed over the profits of those in the abortion industry.

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* *Recent* Key Votes *

	Name of Legislation	Voted	I	Score
Passed	Passage of pro-life reconciliation bill (defund Planned Parenthood) 10/23/15	N		X
Passed	Womens Public Health and Safety Act (Medicaid state flexibility) 09/29/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of the Defund Planned Parenthood Act 09/18/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 09/18/15	N		X
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	N		X
Failed	Motion to add open-ended "health" exception to 20-week abortion ban 05/13/15	Y		X
Passed	Passage of Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week abortion ban) 05/13/15	N		X
Passed	To block the D.C. "Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act" (RHNDA) 04/30/15	N		X
Passed	Repeal of the Obamacare health care law 02/03/15	N		X
Passed	H. Res. 42 Providing for Consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions. House Roll Call #43 01/22/15	N		X
Passed	No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) 01/28/14	N		X
Passed	Delay two Obamacare programs for one year (Blackburn Amendment) 09/29/13	N		X
Passed	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (protect unborn at 20 weeks) 06/18/13	N		X
Passed	Repeal of Obamacare health care law 05/16/13	N		X

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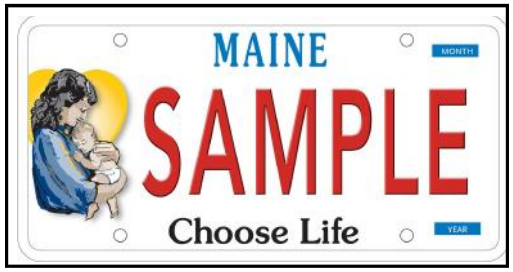
Name of Legislation		Voted	Score
Rejected	A bill to prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. 08/03/15	N	X
Rejected	Constitutional amendment to curb free speech about political officeholders and issues 09/11/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Murray bill to empower DHHS abortion mandates 07/16/2014	Y	X
Rejected	Preventing abortion funding and protecting religious liberty 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act: Sense of the Senate 03/22/2013	N	X
Rejected	Defunding of the Obama health care law 03/13/2013	N	X

√ = Voted For Us X = <u>Voted Against Us</u>



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Choose Life Maine, Inc. in accordance with the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles has initiated the process to make available to the people of Maine a "CHOOSE LIFE MAINE" specialty license plate. We are required to obtain 2,000 pre-paid orders for the license plate before the Bureau will draft the necessary legislation to request the state legislature to put the plate into circulation.

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CHOOSE LIFE MAINE, INC., c/o David Alexander, 2 Ballard Street, Augusta, Maine 04330; Phone: (207) 622-0953

All proceeds we will eventually receive from the State will be allocated to not-for-profit, life affirming pregnancy support centers licensed and resident in the State of Maine.

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ANALYSIS & BACKGROUNDER

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

To: All Journalists & Interested Parties

From: Tatiana Bergum, Deputy Press Secretary
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Re: *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*

National Right to Life Analysis:

Narrow Supreme Court decision in Hobby Lobby underscores deeper abortion-expanding aspects of Obamacare

The National Right to Life Committee, the nation's oldest and largest pro-life organization, today released the following analysis of yesterday's U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby.* Any part of the following analysis may be attributed to National Right to Life.

The ruling provides a modest victory for religious conscience rights. However, as explained further below, the ruling does not truly correct any of the major abortion-expanding problems created by Obamacare.

The five-justice majority rejected the Obama Administration's attempt to force family-owned for-profit corporations to directly purchase health insurance covering certain drugs and devices that violate the employer's religious and moral beliefs. The Court held that this application of a provision of Obamacare violates a federal statute, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The Court's majority recognized the gravity of the moral and religious objections raised by Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Wood Specialties in this case.

However, the Court left open the possibility that those objections might be satisfactorily resolved by a government mandate ("accommodation") that these employers' insurance carriers pay directly for

the same drugs and devices. This leaves unresolved the status of many entities (including religiously affiliated schools, charities, and hospitals) with sincere religiously based objections to providing specific drugs and devices, who regard a federal mandate that requires them to take action to require their insurance carrier to carry out the same ends as differing only in form and not in substance from the original mandate.

Moreover, regardless of how the scope of the "accommodation" is defined by future rulemaking and litigation, it is difficult to discern what would prevent HHS from issuing a further expansion of its "preventive services" mandate to require that most employers also provide coverage for surgical abortions, or for doctor-prescribed suicide, that would be just as expansive as the contraceptive mandate.

In short, even with respect only to the "preventive services" component of Obamacare, the Court's ruling in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* comes nowhere near to correcting the heart of the problem, which is the overly expansive authority that the Obamacare law itself provides to HHS to define "preventive services." The other major abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare, including the massive tax subsidies that will assist millions of Americans to purchase health plans that cover elective abortion, were not even issues in the cases just decided.

Only comprehensive legislative reform can cure the multiple abortion-expanding components of Obamacare – and such reform can only be accomplished with new leadership in the U.S. Senate and in the White House.

During the congressional debate over Obamacare, National Right to Life continuously warned against the abortion-expanding and health care rationing provisions of the bill. An archive of documents related to the abortion-expanding provisions of Obamacare is available here: http://www.nrlc.org/federal/ahc/obamalaw/. In March, National Right to Life's Robert Powell Center for Medical Ethics issued a report on how Obamacare is rationing access to life-preserving medical treatment, "The Affordable Care Act and Health Care Access in the United States" which is available here (with other supporting materials): http://www.nrlc.org/communications/healthcarereport.

For interviews on this analysis, or the abortion-expanding and rationing provisions of Obamacare, please contact the NRLC Communications Department at (202) 626-8825 or mediarelations@nrlc.org.

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of 50 state right-to-life affiliates and more than 3,000 local chapters, is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. Recognized as the flagship of the pro-life movement, NRLC works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.

Please Join Us!

2022 Hands Around the Capitol

Saturday, January 15, 2022
Augusta, ME
49th Memorial Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

We will still provide witness for the unborn!!

Mark your Calendars for January15, 2022 to participate in Maine Right to Life Committee's **Modified** Annual **HANDS AROUND THE CAPITOL.** This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march. **Alert your family and friends - encourage** them to save the date and **ATTEND**! Spread the word—PARTICIPATION is key! This is the only VISIBLE opportunity we have in Maine to reinforce that Maine people are **PRO-LIFE!**

Modified Outdoor Event

Saturday, January 15th
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
St. Mary's Church parking lot

12:00 —Attendees can park and gather in the parking lot of St. Mary's Church at 41 Western Ave. Augusta, ME

12:15 —Signs will be provided and we will march to the capitol building
—Attendees will assemble around the Capitol building and We will ring the bell and place roses.

12:45 —Return march to the St. Mary's Church parking lot.

The Capitol Bell will ring 49 times, representing the number of years since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

Join us on January 15th to provide Witness for the Unborn!

Your Friends at Maine Right to Life Committee

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Testimony in support
LD 825: An Act To Ensure Equality in Women's Health Care Access in Maine By Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients Of Options And Alternatives
May 18, 2021

Senator Carney, Representative Harnett, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Directory of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. We support LD 825: An Act To Ensure Equality in Women's Health Care Access in Maine By Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients Of Options And Alternatives.

Maine Right to Life is a state affiliate of the National Right To Life Committee. We are a non-profit organization founded to protect and uphold the dignity and worth of every human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives. We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women.

Who among us, hasn't had a change of heart, and/or a desire to change their mind? Nobody wants to feel trapped, with no way out of a decision – especially one that could impact one's emotional well-being for the rest of their life. Chemical abortions are on the rise in Maine, and across the US, accounting for more than 50% of all abortions. Easy access to abortion, in the form of a pill, could possibly cause rash decisions; later causing regret. Knowing your options provides hope.

Knowledge is power – to be informed and to know your options, puts a person more at ease, which aids in making a thoughtful and informed decision. Thirteen states have enacted laws requiring information about medical abortion reversal. The informed consent law requires abortion facilities to inform a woman prior to, or soon after, taking the first drug in a two-step process of a chemical abortion, that it may be possible to reverse the effects of the abortion. The first step of a chemical abortion involves taking a drug called "Mifepristone,' followed by a drug called "Misoprostol." It is possible to reverse the abortion prior to taking the second drug, however, it is important to tell the woman that time is of the essence-- action must be taken usually within 24 hours of taking the first drug.

Passage of this bill could potentially save a child's life, while bringing restored hope to expectant women experiencing a change of mind and heart. I humbly ask this committee to pass LD 825. Women's health and well-being will be better for it. Thank you.

Hon. Karen Vachon
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Lawrence (Larry) Lader (1919-2006) – Founding Father of Abortion

Amid today's labeling of white supremacists, bashing white men who know nothing about women's health, and untenable sexual abuse and exploitation of women, it may come as a surprise to learn that legalized abortion was introduced, promoted, and advanced by Larry Lader –a white man, who today is revered as the "The Founding Father of Abortion.".

Abortion had rightly been viewed as a societal taboo, but that all changed with Lader's revolution to normalize the killing of unborn and unwanted children. Long–standing social pressures had forced a man to care for a child conceived outside of marriage, and women could legally pursue a man who impregnated her. There was strong family and community support for both the couple and the baby. The 19th century, however, saw a rise in abortion activity, which was initially prevalent among the young female servant class of immigrants without family, giving rise to prostitution.

For mainstream America, abortion was thought barbaric. Wealthy women would find willing medical doctors to perform abortion and the poor sought abortions in back alleys. Even Margaret Sanger objected to legalized abortion. When she drove by prostitutes standing in line for their abortions, she saw birth control as the solution. Lader viewed this differently. He envisioned a day when the social stigma of abortion would be removed. Abortion would be safe, provided on demand, by doctors, and federally funded. To achieve this, he said: "every revolution has to have a villain." To grab attention he needed to shift, divert, divide, and confuse the issue. He targeted the women's movement, doctors, and, his villain –the hierarchy of the Catholic Church, -under the guise of population control, medical safety, and women empowerment.

Finding power, clout and influence in his pen – Lader wrote articles that interested him. He re-shaped social order, coined new language, and fed a narrative that ignored truth, facts, and laws. By hoodwinking, seducing, and coercing powers of influence, he was hell-bent to legalize abortion and promote unrestricted sexual freedom.

He wasn't a researcher or scientist, rather, a journalist with an agenda, determined to make a name for himself. He was successful! Cited at least seven times, as a material expert, in the 1973 Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision – this would hardly be the crescendo to his life's work. He turned revolutionary activist – unsuccessfully suing the Catholic Church, and at age 76, in 1992 he launched a campaign to legalize and distribute the abortion drug, RU486.

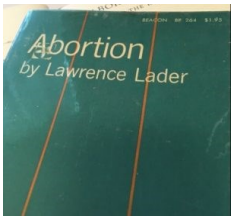
Karl Marx

Lader, an atheist, with wealthy Jewish roots, grew up in New York City. He went to Harvard University, where he discovered Karl Marx. After graduating in 1941, he served in World War II, working for Armed Forces Radio. His war dispatches published in the New York Times, launched his career as a journalist, where his work appeared in numerous leading publications. He aspired to be a published author.

During this time, he met Betty Friedan, author of the Feminine Mystique, through Jean MacInnis (whom he dated and later married). MacInnis had extreme ideas for the times: She kept her maiden name and they had separate bank accounts. The short-lived marriage ended in divorce in 1946.

Lader forged relationships with the elite and influential (most notably, Margaret Sanger), who aligned with his radical thoughts of Malthusianism and Eugenics. Malthusianism is a population theory that absolves wealthier segments of society from the responsibility of caring for the poor, by reducing the number of people born. Eugenics, Darwin's evolutional theory, 'survival of the fittest', seeks to limit the fertility of the poor and the unfit.

Lader's first book, The Biography of Margaret Sanger, was published in 1955. He spent three years interviewing her, referring to himself as "her disciple," and he also said she was "the greatest influence on his life." In 1966, Bobbs-Merill published Lader's second book. Simply titled: "Abortion", the first words stated: "Abortion is the dreaded secret of our society.". In an article in the Los Angeles Times in 1995, Lader reflected: He thought he was simply writing a book, "I had no idea of getting involved in a campaign."



At the press conference announcing the publication of his book, Lader told reporters he had received hundreds of inquiries from women seeking an abortion doctor. In that moment, he decided to not just write about abortion, but do something about it. When women asked for an abortion, he referred over 2,000 to a willing doctor.

In 1967 Lader met obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr. Bernard Nathanson at a dinner party. Nathanson, also a Jewish Atheist, was "swept up" by Lader's anti-authoritarianism, and wanted to be involved in "brewing up a revolution.". He performed "therapeutic abortions" and was disturbed with the deaths caused by illegal abortions. For Lader, having an obstetrician on his team would help legitimize abortion as a legal medical procedure.

With a budget of $3,500, the two men founded the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (NARAL) in 1969. (Today, known as NARAL – Pro-Choice America). On a mission, they had their villain, and a strategy: To convince the media and the public that the Catholic hierarchy was imposing its will on America. They would portray Catholics as opposed to the hierarchy; and they would support them in public office as "heroes who oppose abortion for themselves, but believe our church should not impose its will on our non-Catholic neighbors." They wanted to make this a church-state issue and expose the tax-deductible lobbying effort of Catholics.

Over the next few years, Lader and Nathanson were inseparable, tenaciously lobbying state legislatures to repeal prohibitions against abortion. Utilizing unscrupulous tactics they made up numbers of deaths/year of botched abortions. Their efforts were not gaining traction, until Lader come up with the idea to link legal abortion to the popular and growing feminist movement. "If we're going to move abortion out of the books and into the streets, we're going to have to recruit the feminists. Friedan has got to put her troops into this thing – while she still has control of them."

Lader and Nathanson convinced Friedan, the founder of National Organization of Women (NOW) to see legal abortion as a civil and basic human rights issue. Originally Friedan and executives of Planned Parenthood opposed abortion, believing it degraded women and gave too much power to men, but Lader was clever and strategic. Noting that American women like choice, he coined the language of the movement today – "Pro-Choice", "a woman's right to control her own body", and a "woman's right to choose."

Friedan never mentioned abortion in her first edition of the Feminine Mystique, however Lader successfully persuaded her to use her platform to promote abortion as "liberating and empowering" to women. She joined them at NARAL. The jargon of the women's movement, caught on and was adopted by Planned Parenthood's then president, Alan Guttmacher. At the end of Betty Friedan's life, she expressed her regret for the narrative and the path the woman's movement had ultimately taken.

Nathanson had regrets too. As an obstetrician and gynecologist in New York City, Nathanson oversaw at least 75,000 abortions between 1970 and 1979, of which, 5,000 he performed himself. He earned the nickname: Abortion King. By 1973 the advancement of ultrasound technology, helped him see abortion for what it is and the pain the fetus experiences.

Nathanson became Pro-life, and to Lader's chagrin, converted to Catholicism in 1996. Were it not for his complete change of heart, we would never know the truth about Lader's power, influence, and lies to ram rod abortion down Americans' throats.

In 2009, at age 83, Bernard Nathanson met with Terry Beatley of the Hosea Initiative. He told her the 8-point Propaganda Strategy that he and Lader developed for NARAL to convince America that abortion is "women's healthcare." Beatley promised Nathanson that she would share this with lawmakers and clergy, so the people knew the truth. Here is the strategy used to deceive America:

In her book, Subverted, author, Sue Ellen Browder concisely and brilliantly lays out her experience as a columnist for Cosmopolitan, the fictitious stories she told about the Women's sexual revolution and how Larry Lader hijacked the women's movement; it is a must read! Like Nathanson, Sue Ellen converted to Catholicism.

In her book, Sue Ellen explains: We would never have known it was Lader who at last persuaded Betty to insert abortion into NOW's package of "women's rights" if it weren't for the written testimony of a third party who eye-witnessed events as they unfolded beneath the scenes. This eye-witness was Bernard *"Bernie"* Nathanson, M.D., director of one of the world's largest abortion clinics. Nathanson worked with Lader in the late 1960's to found NARAL, the first organization set up to repeal US abortion laws." ~ Sue Ellen Browder, Subverted, p. 51

Dr. Nathanson died in 2011. A friend reflected on two lessons learned by Nathanson's life: **"First – truth will prevail, and overcome darkness, second: We in the pro-life movement have no enemies to destroy. Our weapons are chaste weapons of the spirit: *truth and love*. Our task is less to defeat our opponents than to win them to the cause of life. To be sure, we must oppose the culture and politics of death resolutely and with a determination to win. But there is no one – *no one*- whose heart is so hard that he or she *cannot* be won over. Let us not lose faith in the power of our weapons to transform even the most resolute abortion advocates."** ~ Robert P George, Feb. 27, 2011

Maine Right To Life encourages our members to trust that the truth will prevail. Let the stories of conversion of some of the most ardent pro-abortion turned pro-life advocates be a beacon of hope, and a call to action to each of us, that simple actions done in loving and caring ways plant seeds that move and change lives.

ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

Whether it's judges, Supreme Court Justices, state legislatures, or the general public – people are waking up to what the ERA really is, and why advocates push so hard for it. There once was a time, when Pro-Life advocates exposed ERA as being everything related to abortion were accused as lying, misleading, and imposing scare tactics. However, this is no longer the case.

On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN MAINE'S CONSTITUTION!!

Among the arguments Pro-ERA advocates use to shame people into supporting ERA ratification is the argument of pay and job opportunity inequity.

Of all the states in the country, Maine has one of the smallest wage gaps. Maine law requires pay equity, and if an employee in Maine questions a pay equity situation to the Maine Department of Labor, by law, the Department of Labor will do an investigation. Also – in 2019 a law was passed banning employers from asking about wages in job interviews.

When addressing the wage gap, it is important to consider the professions women choose, the number of hours they work, and the jobs that families choose to ensure that they have the right balance in their lives to care for children and earn for the household. Women often choose less demanding jobs. It is a choice that families make and it has nothing to do with employers or laws.

Women are thriving in Maine! In terms of total job opportunity in Maine, the share of jobs is split evenly between male and female. The rate of women who choose to be in the workforce is growing. When it comes to managerial and professional occupations, 43% of these jobs are held by women. 30.1% of Maine businesses are owned by women. There isn't inequity in opportunity and pay for women in Maine.

ERA diminishes and devalues the role of motherhood. Maine, of all states, should be encouraging motherhood!

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
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> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 926 : An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports.
May 6, 2021

Senator Carney, Representative Harnett, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Directory of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. We support LD 926: An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports.

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This testimony addresses our Pro-Women position. Women are biologically different than men. In addressing fairness and equal opportunity, Title XI was introduced in 1972 to even the playing field for women's sports. There wouldn't be a need for Title XI in the first place, if biological females were not at a competitive disadvantage! Title XI afforded the opportunity to put biological women in a league of their own, providing equal funding, equal access, thus allowing them to excel in sports comparable to their male counter parts. Title XI has opened a world of opportunity for biological women, and should not be undermined or compromised by permitting anyone who is biologically different than biologically female - which Title XI sought to protect in the first place.

We continually hear public service announcements on the radio about the benefits of team sports and the impact it has on confidence and wellbeing. Biological females deserve an even and fair playing field – why shatter hopes and dreams of biological females for the benefit of a few biological males who transgend to female? **I**t seems the long road to fairness, the hopes, and the dreams of many female athletes are being sacrificed for medically altered biological males who want to compete against biological females.

All women – biological or transgender, should be able to participate in the male league if they can make the team. Biological women, who can't make the male team, have Title XI funding to thank for the opportunity to participate in the Women's league. Keep it this way. This is fair and equitable – by design, to protect biological women. Please support LD 926. Thank you.

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Summary of Breast Cancer Risks and Protection

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Given what is known of breast physiology, we can conclude that the following factors are protective, or decrease the likelihood that a woman will develop breast cancer:

- Full-term pregnancy or pregnancy lasting longer than 32 weeks
- Multiparity (more than one full-term pregnancy)
- Short period ("susceptibility window") between menarche and first full-term pregnancy
- Full-term pregnancy soon after abortion or second-trimester miscarriage
- Breastfeeding

The following factors increase the probability of a woman developing breast cancer:

- Nulliparity (childlessness)
- Long span of time ("susceptibility window") between menarche and first full-term pregnancy
- Second-trimester miscarriage (spontaneous abortion after 13 weeks of pregnancy)
- Premature delivery before 32 weeks of pregnancy
- Induced abortion
- Induced abortions or second-trimester miscarriages before first full-term pregnancy
- Repeated induced abortions or second-trimester miscarriages

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PRO-LIFE

Why the Pro-Life movement? History of contraception, abortion, and Roe V Wade

There's been a shift in law and attitude. Once upon a time, life in the womb was most sacred. Contraception was illegal. Abortion was a crime. Protecting the life of the unborn was paramount – a fetus was recognized as a human being with rights and opportunity to prosper. The family took center stage. In today's altered society our controlled narrative and laws couldn't care less about the unborn, self-interest is paramount, gender has been deconstructed and marriage re-defined, all in the name of equal rights.

Anthony Comstock, a devout Christian from New York City, observed his city teeming with prostitution and women being exploited. He believed contraception was lewd, immoral, and promoted promiscuity. He went to Washington, DC to do something about this. The Comstock Act passed in 1873. Known as the Anti-Obscenity Law , which prohibited the sale and possession of birth control. Information promoting birth control was deemed "Articles of immoral use". Many states passed laws prohibiting the sale of contraceptives.

Back in 1927, conception determined when human life began. The American Medical Association urged state legislatures to pass laws to protect the unborn. Every state passed laws that made abortion a serious crime. From 1880 to 1930 there was a transition period to a new sexual order which would undermine the traditional family and ultimately lead to the sexual revolution in the 1960's, setting the course for a new social order.

Margaret Sanger was a birth control advocate who challenged the law in 1916 when she opened the first birth control clinic in NYC. Following her arrest, the 1918 Crane decision allowed women to use birth control for therapeutic purposes. In 1920, The American Birth Control League (later to become known as Planned Parenthood) was founded. By 1936 the US Court of Appeals decision permitted doctors to distribute contraceptives across state lines, giving legitimacy to the birth control industry. This changed the public attitude on birth control. Once opposed, Christian Churches warmed to morally accepting birth control, though the Catholic Church remained opposed. Birth rates dropped significantly.

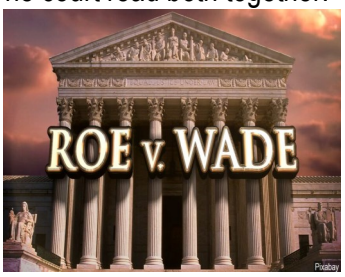
At first, falling birth rates didn't cause alarm. The population control movement was in full swing against a looming threat of third-world, poor, communist countries having too many children – there was concern that a world-wide famine was imminent, rising taxes would increase the spread of communism. The solution: Abortion.

In 1959, the America Law Institute proposed a model penal code for state abortion laws. This code advocated legalizing abortions in limited circumstances, to include the mental & physical health of the mother, rape and incest, and fetal deformity. Colorado was the first state to pass an abortion law permitting abortion under these limited circumstances. California, Oregon, and North Carolina followed suit. As more states embraced pro-abortion laws, the National Right to Life was founded in 1968, in an effort to organize, communicate, and coordinate what was going on in various states across the country.

By the early 1970's, four states had laws making abortion on demand legal; one state permitted abortion for rape or incest; a total of 31 states had very limited laws permitting abortion only to save a mother's life. Then the federal government stepped in. Contrary to what people think, Roe V. Wade is not a law passed by Congress January 22, 1973. It was a vote by 7 (a full court has 9) Supreme Court Justices. The US Supreme Court were determined that all state laws protecting the unborn null and void. Roe v. Wade ruled that "legal personhood does not exist prenataly".

This decision made abortion legal in all 50 states for the full term of pregnancy. To this day, this is, the most controversial Supreme Court Decision.

Decades after the unique decision, no other decision continues to cause such large and sustainable outcry. Deemed the "engine of controversy" it has become the symbol of judicial over reach causing much upheaval. Every year, since the decision of Roe v. Wade, Maine Right to Life holds a rally and solemn memorial - Hands Around the Capital event, to remember the innocent lives lost caused by this decision.



Roe v. Wade is actually two cases – Roe v. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia. The court read both together. Though Doe is rarely spoken about, in its near 40 year history, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides what is called the "health exception" for an abortion after a fetus becomes viable. The "health exception" addresses the physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and age of the mother, thus providing legal justification to have an abortion throughout the entire gestational pregnancy. The Doe decision distinguishes the US as one of the most liberal democracies in the world. Only seven countries allow abortion after 20 weeks. The US is one of four nations (Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason after fetal viability.

Last September, at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe V. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned Parenthood V. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade descion). **According to the CDC, abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.** Of Americans who identify as being pro-choice - two thirds oppose late term abortion. Seventy-nine percent of Americans oppose late term abortions; and 82% of Americans oppose denying care to a viable child after birth.

A Gallup poll issued January 22nd, 2020, *Dissatisfied with US abortion laws at a new high*, reveals a 7% increase from a year ago. Today, 58% of Americans are not happy with our nation's abortion laws and believe they should be stricter. This is a new high for Gallup's trend. The mainstream media controls a narrative which is not aligned with the thoughts of our nation. The powers that be portray Pro-Lifer's as predominately white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body – the true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats (who were told there was no place for them in the party), blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

Maine Right to Life believes that **people deserve to know the truth. Knowledge is power.** Please share these facts, and let everyone know, Pro-Life has a place for everyone that values human life from womb to tomb.

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Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021 9:00 AM-11:30 AM
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Includes Coffee and Breakfast Bakery Items

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We are sensitive to transgender women and care deeply for their mental health and physical well-being. There needs to be a careful balance that addresses the protection of biological women as well. This said: Women's only schools, housing, and programs have a special place, and for good reason. Some biological women need the extra security, for a variety of reasons, knowing they are safe among women who share their same biology.

While we recognize transgender females emotional needs as women and are sensitive to the emotional changes they are going through, this bill begs us to ask: how do we protect against more sinister attempts to gain access to women by those who identify as women to gain access to harm biological women?

This bill addresses women's single-sex shelters only. It doesn't ban transgender females from all shelters. Unisex shelters may be better equipped to offer gender neutral toileting, bathing , and sleeping arrangements. At a Unisex shelter, the choice of bathing, toileting, and sleeping affords an opportunity of choice – for biological males, females, and transgender, without the feeling of segregation or discrimination.

Fragile, biological women who have been sexually abused, battered, and exploited in any way, need the comfort, protection, and guarantee of safety. Women's single-sex shelters are what women, in this situation, seek – and for good reason: They expect to be rid of all risk. For the comfort and protection of our most vulnerable biological women, I humbly ask this committee to unanimously vote ought to pass on this legislation. Our most at risk biological women need and deserve this protection. Thank you.

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82	**Ackley**	Kent	C	705 Route 135 Monmouth	04259	(207) 512-2524 kent4csi@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	✓	X
138	**Alley**	Robert	D	P. O. Box 263 Beals	04611	(207) 497-5562 / (207) 263-4442 robert.alley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	X	X	X	X
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55	**Berry**	Seth	D	1245 River Road Bowdoinham	04008	(207) 522-1609 seth@sethberry.org	X	X	X	X	X	X
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52	**DeChant**	Jennifer	D	1008 Middle Street Bath	04530	(207) 442-8486 jennifer.dechant@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
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90	**Devin**	Michael	D	1 Hillcrest Road Newcastle	04553	(207) 975-3132 / (207) 563-8350 michael.devin@legislature.maine.gov	A	A	X	X	X	X
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85	**Doore**	Donna	D	49 Pleasant Hill Road Augusta	04330	(207) 592-6849 donna.doore@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	X	X	X	X
121	**Duchesne**	Robert	D	478 Beechwood Avenue Old Town	04468	(207) 827-3782 bob.duchesne@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
122	**Dunphy**	Michelle	D	143 Middle Street Old Town	04468	(207) 827-8989 / (207) 754-3088 michelle.dunphy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
65	**Espling**	Ellie	R	12 Lewiston Road New Gloucester	04260	(207) 891-8280 espling2@securespeed.us	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	**Farnsworth**	Richard	D	55 Old Mast Road Portland	04102	(207) 874-6399 / (207) 233-3814 richard.farnsworth@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
111	**Farrin**	Bradlee	R	P. O. Box 687 Norridgewock	04957	(207) 634-3074 / (207) 614-4123 btfarrin@gmail.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A
66	**Fay**	Jessica	D	141 Spiller Hill Road Raymond	04071	(207) 415-4218 jess4maine@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
11	**Fecteau**	Ryan	D	23 Western Avenue, Apt. 101 Biddeford	04005	(207) 289-4478 ryan.fecteau@laegislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
7	**Foley**	Robert	R	57 Shady Lane Wells	04090	(207) 646-2409 / (207) 590-2144 robert.foley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100	**Fredette**	Kenneth	R	P. O. Box 70 Newport	04953	(207) 368-5562 kenneth.fredette@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
124	**Frey**	Aaron	D	P. O. Box 74 Bangor	04402	(207) 249-9969 aaron.frey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
59	**Fuller**	Roger	D	36 Elliott Avenue Lewiston	04240	(207) 783-9091 / (818) 216-0448 rfuller@mainenet.org	✓	X	X	X	X	A
34	**Gattine**	Drew	D	529 Stroudwater Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 409-3477 drew.gattine@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
20	**Gerrish**	Karen	R	P. O. Box 291 Lebanon	04027	(207) 651-5452 karenformaine@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
48	**Gideon**	Sara	D	37 South Freeport Road Freeport	04032	(207) 287-1300 / (207) 865-9593 sara.gideon@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
98	**Gillway**	James	R	79 Bowen Road Searsport	04974	(207) 548-6429 jgillway@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
69	**Ginzler**	Phyllis	R	10 Blue Jay Lane Bridgton	04009	(207) 647-8257 phyllis.ginzler@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
60	**Golden**	Jared	D	3 Diamond Court Lewiston	04240	(207) 402-4410 / (207) 287-1430 jared.golden@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X

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83	**Grant**	Gay	D	P. O. Box 4 South Gardiner	04359	(207) 582-5882 / (207) 215-3501 gay.grant@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
118	**Grignon**	Chad	R	181 Fox Hill Road Athens	04912	(207) 612-6499 / (207) 654-2771 chad.grignon@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
12	**Grohman**	Martin	D	PO Box 924 Biddeford	04005	(207) 283-1476 / (207) 423-8260 martin.grohman@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	✓	✓
102	**Guerin**	Stacey	R	79 Phillips Road Glenburn	04401	(207) 884-7118 / (207) 249-0472 repguerin@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
101	**Haggan**	David	R	11 Westbrook Terrace Hampden	04444	(207) 944-7471 david.haggan@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
32	**Hamann**	Scott	D	60 Thornton Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 233-2951 scott@scotthamann.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
58	**Handy**	James	D	9 Maplewood Road Lewiston	04240	(207) 784-5595 jim.handy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
142	**Hanington**	Sheldon	R	475 Enfield Road Lincoln	04457	(207) 403-3579 sheldonhanington@outlook.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
87	**Hanley**	Jeffery	R	52 Turner Drive Pittston	04345	(207) 582-1524 / (207) 458-9009 jshanley@myfairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓
36	**Harlow**	Denise	D	36 Broadway Portland	04103	(207) 409-0870 denise.harlow@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	A
19	**Harrington**	Matthew	R	P. O. Box 457 Sanford	04073	(207) 831-6746 / (207) 287-1400 matthew.harrington@lagislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
113	**Harvell**	Lance	R	398 Knowlton Corner Road Farmington	04938	(207) 491-8971 lanceharvell@hotmail.com	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A
89	**Hawke**	Stephanie	R	76 Park Street Boothbay Harbor	04538	(207) 380-6803 / (207) 633-4600 stephanie.hawke@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
117	**Head**	Frances	R	P. O. Box 61 West Bethel	04286	(207) 650-1351 / (207) 824-2114 frances.head@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
97	**Herbig**	Erin	D	P. O. Box 1015 Belfast	04915	(207) 287-1430 erin.herbig@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
73	**Herrick**	Lloyd	R	P. O. Box 54 Paris	04271	(207) 514-0414 skip.herrick@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	A	✓	X	✓
81	**Hickman**	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Road Winthrop	04364	(207) 377-3276 craighickman@rocketmail.com	✓	X	X	X	X	X
120	**Higgins**	Norman	R	P. O. Box 594 Dover-Foxcroft	04426	(207) 564-8214 norman.higgins@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
76	**Hilliard**	Gary	R	31 Cobblestone Dr. Belgrade	04917	(207) 415-8124 garyhilliard1973@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
13	**Hogan**	George	D	17 Seacliff Avenue Old Orchard Beach	04064	(207) 423-4293 george.hogan@leislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
135	**Hubbell**	Brian	D	66 Park Street Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 288-3947 brian.hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
4	**Hymanson**	Patricia	D	34 High Pine Road York	03909	(207) 363-8353 patty.hymanson@aol.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
145	**Johansen**	Chris	R	462 Fletcher Road Monticello	04760	(207) 538-2562 / (207) 456-6208 chrisjohansen145@aol.com	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	**Jorgensen**	Erik	D	83 Highland Street Portland	04103	(207) 939-7120 ejorgensen@maine.rr.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
22	**Kinney**	Jonathan	R	179 Beaver Berry Road Limington	04049	(207) 637-2366 / (207) 637-3000 kinney@fairpoint.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
99	**Kinney**	MaryAnne	R	40 Maple Lane Knox	04986	(207) 568-7577 maplenuts@uninet.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
125	**Kornfield**	Victoria	D	48 Madison Street Bangor	04401	(207) 947-7224 tori.kornfield@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
134	**Kumiega**	Walter	D	36 Cedar Lane Little Deer Isle	04650	(207) 479-5459 walter.kumi@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X

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2	**Lawrence**	Mark	D	42 Lords Lane South Berwick	03908	(207) 748-3289 / (207) 475-4975 mark@marklawrence.org	✓	X	X	X	X	A
137	**Lockman**	Lawrence	R	10 Perry Lane Amherst	04605	(207) 584-5900 / (207) 460-6518 larrylockman@rivah.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
109	**Longstaff**	Thomas	D	39 Pleasant Street Waterville	04901	(207) 872-6617 thomas.longstaff@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
132	**Luchini**	Louis	D	P. O. Box 1311 Ellsworth	04605	(207) 664-4699 louis.luchini@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
129	**Lyford**	Peter	R	197 Jarvis Gore Drive Eddington	04428	(207) 848-3335 lyfordinc@msn.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	**Madigan**	Colleen	D	13 Gilman Street Waterville	04901	(207) 692-7143 colleen@colleenmadigan.com	✓	X	X	X	X	X
115	**Madigan**	John	D	P. O. Box 146 Rumford	04276	(207) 369-0303 john.madigan@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	X	X	X	X
136	**Malaby**	Richard	R	52 Cross Road Hancock	04640	(207) 422-3146 / (207) 266-3710 rsmalaby@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	**Marean**	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road Hollis	04042	(207) 727-5527 / (207) 653-8927 lindonfarm@sacoriver.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓
150	**Martin**	Roland	D	P. O. Box 97 Sinclair	04779	(207) 543-6165 / (207) 231-1358 danny.martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X
151	**Martin**	John	D	P. O. Box 250 Eagle Lake	04739	(207) 444-5556 / (207) 834-7568 jlmartin@maine.edu	✓	✓	X	X	X	X
56	**Mason**	Richard Gina (d)	D	312 Ridge Road Lisbon Falls	04252	(207) 353-9086 richard.mason@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	**Mastraccio**	Anne-Marie	D	23 Lebanon Street Sanford	04073	(207) 324-8692 anne-marie.mastraccio@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
148	**McCrea**	David	D	P. O. Box 513 Fort Fairfield	04742	(207) 472-4212 / (207) 227-4903 david.mccrea@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	X	X	X	X
51	**McCreight**	Joyce	D	155 Gun Point Road Harpswell	04079	(207) 449-3293 jay.mccreight@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
149	**McElwee**	Carol	R	54 Pioneer Avenue Caribou	04736	(207) 498-8605 / (207) 551-7574 cmcelwee@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
27	**McLean**	Andrew	D	114 Johnson Road Gorham	04038	(207) 939-8482 andrew.mclean@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
62	**Melaragno**	Gina	D	25 James Street, Apt. 3 Auburn	04210	(207) 740-8860 gina.melaragno@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	A
30	**Monaghan**	Kimberly	D	6 Russet Lane Cape Elizabeth	04107	(207) 749-9443 kimberly.monaghan@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
38	**Moonen**	Matthew	D	165 Neal Street, Apt. 1F Portland	04102	(207) 332-7823 matthew.moonen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
78	**Nadeau**	Catherine	D	23 Patterson Avenue Winslow	04901	(207) 873-2025 / (207) 557-1587 catherine.nadeau@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	X	X	A
5	**O'Connor**	Beth	R	PO Box 183 Berwick	03901	(207) 698-7899 / (207) 289-9047 libertymom1@msn.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15	**O'Neil**	Margaret	D	21 Sheila Circle Saco	04072	(207) 590-1679 maggie4saco@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	A
23	**Ordway**	Lester	R	P. O. Box 212 Standish	04084	(207) 642-3491 lester.ordway@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	**Parker**	Jennifer	D	224 Witchtrot Road South Berwick	03908	(207) 475-6792 jparkersobo@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
10	**Parry**	Wayne	R	851 Alfred Road Arundel	04046	(207) 286-9145 wayne@wayneparry.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
77	**Perkins**	Michael	R	93 Willy Point Oakland	04963	(207) 716-6968 / (207) 465-4835 michael.perkins@legislature.maine.gov	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
140	**Perry**	Anne	D	474 South Street Calais	04619	(207) 454-7338 / (207) 214-7000 aperry@maineline.net	✓	X	X	X	X	A

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108	**Picchiotti**	John	R	6 Verdun Street Fairfield	04937	(207) 453-2137 / (207) 692-7226 jjpicc@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
116	**Pickett**	Richard	R	21 Church Street East Dixfield	04227	(207) 645-4893 richard.pickett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
44	**Pierce**	Teresa	D	6 Waites Landing Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 781-7144 / (207) 415-8631 teresa.pierce@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
53	**Pierce**	Jeffrey	R	P. O. Box 51 Dresden	04342	(207) 737-9051 / (207) 441-3006 jeff.pierce@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
86	**Pouliot**	Matthew	R	99 Winthrop Street Augusta	04330	(207) 441-9418 mpouliot57@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	**Prescott**	Dwayne	R	PO Box 77 North Waterboro	04061	(207) 710-1614 dwayne.prescott@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	**Reckitt**	Lois	D	38 Myrtle Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 712-2474 loisgalgayreckitt@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	X
103	**Reed**	Roger	R	278 Murray Road Carmel	04419	(207) 848-5136 / (207) 852-0595 rogerreed60@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
74	**Riley**	Christina	D	437 Main Street Jay	04239	(207) 897-2288 rileyofjay@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	A
1	**Rykerson**	Deane	D	1 Salt Marsh Lane Kittery Point	03905	(207) 439-8755 deane.rykerson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
21	**Sampson**	Heidi	R	465 Kennebunk Road Alfred	04002	(207) 324-0307 sampson4maine@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
43	**Sanborn**	Heather	D	82 Frost Hill Road Portland	04103	(207) 358-8508 heather.sanborn@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
88	**Sanderson**	Deborah	R	64 Whittier Drive Chelsea	04330	(207) 623-2168 / (207) 376-7515 deb.sanderson2010@gmail.com	✓	A	✓	A	✓	✓
126	**Schneck**	John	D	2078 Ohio Street Bangor	04401	(207) 942-7886 john.schneck@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
9	**Seavey**	H.	R	154 Wildes District Road Kennebunkport	04046	(207) 967-5991 / (207) 590-1597 stedman.seavey@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	**Sheats**	Bettyann	D	32 Waterview Drive Auburn	04210	(207) 777-4537 / (207) 740-2613 b.sheats@aol.com	✓	X	X	X	X	X
144	**Sherman**	Roger	R	P. O. Box 682 Houlton	04730	(207) 532-7073 / (207) 532-8711 rsherm@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	A	A	A	A
91	**Simmons**	Abden	R	41 Jefferson Street Waldoboro	04572	(207) 832-6586 / (207) 446-4518 abden.simmons@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
28	**Sirocki**	Heather	R	32 Glendale Circle Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-5609 / (207) 730-6602 hsirocki@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
112	**Skolfield**	Thomas	R	349 Phillips Road Weld	04285	(207) 585-2638 skolfield@tds.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
92	**Spear**	John	D	12 Rockledge Road South Thomaston	04858	(207) 596-7720 / (207) 596-3545 john.spear@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
143	**Stanley**	Stephen	D	614 Pattagumpus Road Medway	04460	(207) 746-5371 stanleyss@twc.com	✓	✓	X	X	X	X
119	**Stearns**	Paul	R	33 Applebee Hill Road Guilford	04443	(207) 876-3242 / (207) 343-2615 paul.stearns@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
105	**Stetkis**	Joel	R	P. O. Box 336 Canaan	04924	(207) 399-7801 joelstetkis@outlook.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
147	**Stewart**	Harold	R	305 State Street Presque Isle	04769	(207) 227-0569 stewartforpresqueisle@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
106	**Strom**	Scott	R	217 North Main St, Apt. 301 Pittsfield	04967	(207) 313-3895 scott.strom74@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
95	**Sutton**	Paula	R	PO Box 166 Warren	04864	(207) 380 3406 pgsutton@hotmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
39	**Sylvester**	Michael	D	159 Central Avenue Peaks Island	04108	(207) 239-1488 mike.sylvester@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	A	X
40	**Talbot Ross**	Rachel	D	39 Washburn Avenue Portland	04101	(207) 747-5461 rtalbotross@gmail.com	✓	X	X	X	X	X

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54	**Tepler**	Denise	D	13 Homeplace Topsham	04086	(207) 729-4018 denise.tepler@legislature.meine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
26	**Terry**	Maureen	D	9 Lombard Street Gorham	04038	(207) 712-9735 moterryforstaterep@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	X	A
79	**Theriault**	Timothy	R	1210 Lakeview Drive China	04358	(207) 968-2641 / (207) 649-4434 tim.theriault@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
75	**Timberlake**	Jeffrey	R	284 Ricker Hill Road Turner	04282	(207) 225-6016 / (207) 754-6000 jeffrey.timberlake@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
123	**Tipping-Spitz**	Ryan	D	279 Main Street Orono	04473	(207) 866-4333 tipping-spitz@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	X	X	X	X
50	**Tucker**	Ralph	D	15 McKeen Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 725-7639 ralph.tucker@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
139	**Tuell**	William	R	431 Hadley Lake Road East Machias	04630	(207) 271-8521 / (207) 255-8056 will.tuell@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	X
141	**Turner**	Beth	R	P. O. Box 65 Burlington	04417	(207) 732-4625 / (207) 403-3383 repbethturner@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	**Vachon**	Karen	R	25 Ocean Avenue Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-4715 karen.vachon@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	**Wadsworth**	Nathan	R	29 Rock Crop Way Hiram	04041	(207) 838-7451 nathan.wadsworth@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
104	**Wallace**	Raymond	R	83 Pine Street Dexter	04930	(207) 270-8041 wallace8540@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
131	**Ward**	Karleton	R	P. O. Box 612 Holden	04429	(207) 843-7546 / (207) 989-7400 karl.ward@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	A
84	**Warren**	Charlotte	D	19 Oakwood Drive Hallowell	04347	(207) 441-9116 charlotte.warren@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X
146	**White**	Dustin	R	P. O. Box 1654 Presque Isle	04769	(207) 227-8756 dustin.white@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	**Winsor**	Tom	R	107 Thurston Road Norway	04268	(207) 527-2233 / (207) 754-3678 twinsor@megalink.net	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
57	**Wood**	Stephen	R	P. O. Box 927 Sabattus	04280	(207) 740-3723 stephen.wood@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
96	**Zeigler**	Stanley	D	60 Freedom Pond Road Montville	04941	(207) 323-6044 stanleypaige.zeigler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X

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2022 Hands Around the Capitol

Saturday, January 15, 2022
Augusta, ME
49th Memorial Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

We will still provide witness for the unborn!!

Mark your Calendars for January15, 2022 to participate in Maine Right to Life Committee's **Modified** Annual **HANDS AROUND THE CAPITOL.** This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march. **Alert your family and friends - encourage** them to save the date and **ATTEND**! Spread the word—PARTICIPATION is key! This is the only VISIBLE opportunity we have in Maine to reinforce that Maine people are **PRO-LIFE!**

Modified Outdoor Event

Saturday, January 15th
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
St. Mary's Church parking lot

12:00 —Attendees can park and gather in the parking lot of St. Mary's Church at 41 Western Ave. Augusta, ME

12:15 —Signs will be provided and we will march to the capitol building
—Attendees will assemble around the Capitol building and We will ring the bell and place roses.

12:45 —Return march to the St. Mary's Church parking lot.

The Capitol Bell will ring 49 times, representing the number of years since Roe v. Wade was enacted.

Join us on January 15th to provide Witness for the Unborn!

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Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. Abortion is man's ultimate control over a woman's ability to birth and raise children. The women of Betty Friedan's generation never realized men were and still are dictating who has children and who does not. Betty, herself was steered off course, by journalist and friend, Larry Lader who convinced Betty, his agenda - over population - could sell abortion. It was Lader who developed the language: A woman should have the right to control her own body. The woman's movement was hijacked by a white man whose agenda was population control.

To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Recently, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Can you guess who is being vilified? … The girls.

What has been misleading in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through, became a political lightning rod, yet to be ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was".

She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. In fact, the ERA will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

We are seeing the problems unfold right now when biological men transgender to women, and rob biological women of sports recognition, titles, and scholarships. We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Efforts to ratify the ERA were taken up again in 2019. "Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled, though, the ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing, and the new ERA ratification initiative should be dubbed: Everything Related to Abortion.

Feminist for Life, President Serrin Foster believes that women deserve so much better and something is seriously wrong when abortion (under the auspices of women's reproductive healthcare) is prescribed to women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant, overwhelmed, lacking in support and resources. "Not only must we do better; women deserve better"

We must ensure that ERA is not ratified in Maine, that biological women can compete fairly in women's sports, and that women facing unplanned pregnancy have the support and resources to completely know all their choices.

Maine Right to Life believes we should follow the lead of the late Phyllis Schlafly and engage Maine citizens to not only find their way to the State Capitol, but engage with their local lawmakers, and to ultimately change laws! We are looking to develop Pro-Life chapters around the state. Please consider being a part of this effort.

A meme Wonder Woman actress Gal Gadot shared on Instagram January 27, 2017.

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

LD 344-*Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual*.

Public Hearing
January 11, 2022
12:00 PM
Judiciary Committee

~ This bill seeks to ratify the ERA and change Maine's constitution.

~After this bill is heard, it will have a work session in the committee, and then the committee will vote. After the vote, this bill will then be voted on by the entire legislative body at a later date.

~This is a very important vote! If there is a 2/3rds vote by both the Senate and the House, then this resolution will go to the ballot box in November.

~Please write your State Representatives and tell them to vote NO! Here are the links to Representatives of the Maine House and Maine Senate.

~If you wish to upload testimony, go to this link.
https://www.mainelegislature.org/testimony/
When there choose Judiciary in the bottom drop down menu
Then choose the January 11th 12PM hearing
Then upload your testimony

~To learn more about ERA ratification, please see Pages 19 and 27 in the Maine Right To Life 2021 Resource Directory

~This YouTube video from Students For Life will give you a really good understanding why we should not ratify ERA and that this resolution is all about abortion, not equal rights.

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 915: An Act To Conform State Funding To The Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services
May 18, 2021

Senator Carney, Representative Harnett, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Directory of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. We support LD 915: An Act To Conform State Funding To The Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services.

Maine Right to Life is a state affiliate of the National Right To Life Committee. We are a non-profit organization founded to protect and uphold the dignity and worth of every human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives. We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women.

There are 33 states and the District of Columbia that follow the federal standard, providing abortion funding in cases of life endangerment, rape, or incest. Maine is one of only seven states that voluntarily directs Medicaid to pay for all or most medically necessary abortions. According to Maine CDC, abortion takes the lives of 5.3 children/day in our state. Meanwhile, research shows 58% of Americans oppose the taxpayer funding of abortion. And, our beautiful state is dying. Maine is one of four states, where more people die/year than are being born. Maine's death rate rose 4.5% in 2020. Maine ranks 6th in the country in drug overdose deaths (2019). Maine is the oldest state in the nation, with a median age of 45.1. This is not: Maine – the way LIFE should be. Maine is promoting a culture of death. Our policy matters.

The Hyde amendment has saved 2.5 million lives. It has reduced the number of abortions. When government doesn't promote abortion, people choose life. The tide has turned on the public's view of abortion. Today, former abortion leaders, have seen the light: abortion is the taking of a human life. Taxpayers oppose paying for abortion. It is not "reproductive healthcare" – it is a "choice" to end a precious, speechless, innocent life. Abortion takes an emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual toll on people. It's time for Maine to live up to its beautiful slogan and promote a culture of life. We all will be better for it. Life is good. Let's promote it, not abort it at taxpayer expense.

I urge the committee to vote ought to pass. Thank you.

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Maine Right to Life Committee

Dear Friends For Life,

Coronavirus has changed life dramatically. I'd dare say, we all could use some tender loving care. If you're tired of divisive politics, false narratives, and words that distort the truth – turn off your television, cancel your newspaper subscription, vacate social media. Stop feeding the narrative that controls, manipulates, and censors you

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Rediscover tender loving care. Reach out and touch someone. You'll feel better, and so will someone else. Let love prevail. Please join us!

Life is Good! And true power resides within each one of us. If you value loving one another, speaking the truth, being impeccable with our word, and cherishing life from womb to tomb – Maine Right to Life wants you. Please join/renew your membership today!

America needs you! The Biden-Harris Administration campaigned on a promise to promote abortion at taxpayer expense, and Biden wasted no time signing executive orders dismantling international and domestic protections that saved countless innocent lives, and also restored Title X taxpayer funding to abortion providers, such as Planned Parenthood.

We don't need big government and progressive politicians telling us abortion is "women's reproductive healthcare"; assisted suicide is "death with dignity; "lock downs" protect you from Covid-19; at the peril of isolation, economic despair, job loss, anxiety, depression, suicide and drug overdose. Twisted words are pushing a culture of death. This must stop!

The human heart inherently knows: Every life matters. Our grassroots efforts provide resource, education, engagement, compassion and advocacy. Now, more than ever, active participation, support and love are needed during these most trying times.

Please join/renew your membership to Maine Right to Life today. Our lifesaving work cannot be done without your generous support. Our most vulnerable – unborn, exploited, downtrodden, sick and aging need a loving voice more than ever before.

From the bottom of my heart – thank you! May God bless you for your loving stewardship.
For Life,

Karen A. Vachon

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 851: An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed About Abortion Pill Reversal
May 18, 2021

Senator Carney, Representative Harnett, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Directory of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. We support LD 851: An Act To Ensure Women are Informed About Abortion Pill Reversal.

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Who among us, hasn't had a change of heart, and/or a desire to change their mind? Nobody wants to feel trapped, with no way out of a decision – especially one that could impact one's emotional well-being for the rest of their life. Chemical abortions are on the rise in Maine, and across the US, accounting for more than 50% of all abortions. Easy access to abortion, in the form of a pill, could possibly cause rash decisions; later causing regret. Knowing your options provides hope.

Knowledge is power – to be informed and to know your options, puts a person more at ease, which aids in making a thoughtful and informed decision. Thirteen states have enacted laws requiring information about medical abortion reversal. The informed consent law requires abortion facilities to inform a woman prior to, or soon after, taking the first drug in a two-step process of a chemical abortion, that it may be possible to reverse the effects of the abortion. The first step of a chemical abortion involves taking a drug called "Mifepristone,' followed by a drug called "Misoprostol." It is possible to reverse the abortion prior to taking the second drug, however, it is important to tell the woman that time is of the essence-- action must be taken usually within 24 hours of taking the first drug.

Passage of this bill could potentially save a child's life, while bringing restored hope to expectant women experiencing a change of mind and heart. I humbly ask this committee to pass LD 851. Women's health and well-being will be better for it. Thank you.

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14	**Bellows**	Shenna	D	33 Kerns Hill Road Manchester	04351	(207) 776-5404 shenna.bellows@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
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31	**Chenette**	Justin	D	6A Lillian Ave. Saco	04072	(207) 590-3266 justin.chenette@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
27	**Chipman**	Benjamin	D	5 Mayo Street #3 Portland	04101	(207) 318-4961 ben.chipman@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
20	**Claxton**	Ned	D	72 Danbury Dr. Auburn	04210	(207) 576-8082 ned.claxton@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
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12	**Miramant**	David	D	174 Mountain Street Camden	04843	(207) 236-4845 david.miramant@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
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28	**Sanborn**	Heather	D	82 Frost Hill Rd. Portland	04103	(207) 358-8508 heather.sanborn@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
30	**Sanborn**	Linda	D	170 Spiller Rd. Gorham	04038	(207) 939-2879 linda.sanborn@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
22	**Timberlake**	Jeffrey	R	284 Ricker Hill Rd. Turner	04282	(207) 754-6000 jeffrey.timberlake@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	**Vitelli**	Eloise	D	73 Newtown Road Arrowsic	04530	(207) 443-4660 eloise.vitelli@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I was a child, we played Opposite Day – everything said meant the opposite. The Pro-Abortion lobby plays this game and has been for a very long time. Their play on words hijacked the woman's movement, killed more than 63 million unborn babies, and changed the social order of society. They've influenced and disguised public policy, manipulated minds, and divided the country. It's time to recognize the lies, heal the wounds, and rise above the pain. There is hope. Join us!

Our beautiful state slogan is "***Maine – the way life should be.***" Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one of four states where deaths/year is greater than births. On average, there are 5.6 babies hoping to be born every day in Maine; instead, they are thrown away. Is this really the way life should be? We can change this!

Planned Parenthood's name implies a focus on family; they claim they provide "Women's Reproductive Healthcare." Both are deceptive lies. "Reproductive" is producing an offspring, certainly NOT killing babies. They are not only anti-family; they are the number one provider of abortions in the US, and they receive millions in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood also allegedly touts Black Lives Matter, yet their founder, Margaret Sanger, is a noted racist.

The Pro-Abortion lobby wants to write ERA into Maine's constitution. They've already tried several times, but they aren't giving up. Warning: This is NOT the ERA movement of the 1970's. Today's ERA could best be dubbed: **E**verything **R**elated to **A**bortion. It doesn't protect women; it hurts them. There are efforts to bring this to a state referendum. This is dangerous. Maine's future depends on us, you and me, defeating this measure!

And now some good news: Our Country is on the cusp of overthrowing Roe v. Wade. While we really hope it happens, some people are wondering what this would means for Maine? If Roe is overthrown, it simply means abortion policy and laws will revert to our state's existing laws; each state will be able to decide what works best for them. It is widely understood that Roe v. Wade was a bad decision from day one. The bad news is, currently, Maine has laws in place for Roe v. Wade to carry on in Maine if the court decision is overturned. **The people we elect to represent us in the Maine State Legislature matters**. Get to know your state lawmakers. Please consider running for office, encourage others to run, and support our Pro-Life candidates!

When we shift our focus to a culture of life, we begin to imagine Maine beyond Roe. When we shift taxpayer dollars that fund abortion today to Maine's pregnancy resource centers and adoption agencies tomorrow, and when we shift our attention to help post-abortive women heal with love, hope, redemption, and confidence to speak the truth, we heal Maine. Abortion does NOT give women freedom and empowerment; It hurts women, and it kills our state.

Maine – The Way Life Should Be cannot afford to fall prey to Opposite Day. Mainers deserve truth. Together let's keep our eyes on the prize – our culture of life. Thank you to our members, advertisers, patron donors and sponsor partners. Just as a baby in the womb needs its mother, without you, Maine Right to Life would not exist.

Join us!

Karen Vachon

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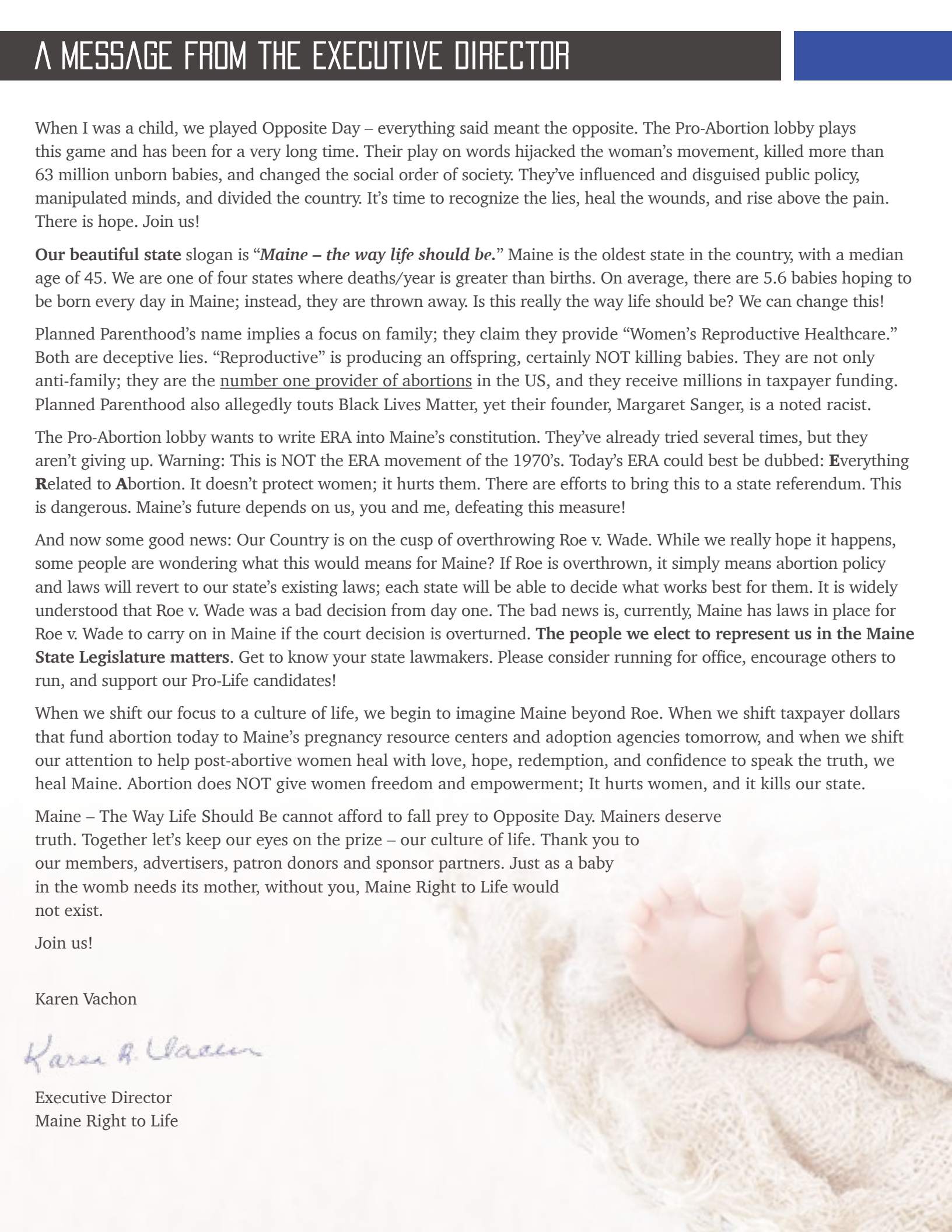
Executive Director
Maine Right to Life



MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

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We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

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ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

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On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
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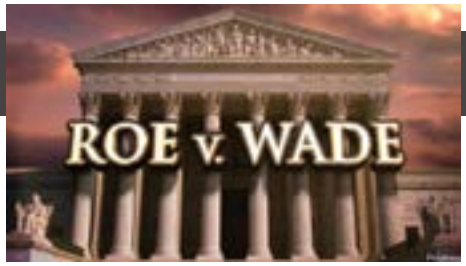
> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

BE IN THE KNOW WITH ROE AND DOE!



Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

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STATE REP D11	Kendall M. Alley	Machias
	Roland Eben Rogers III	Jonesport
	Tiffany Strout	Harrington
STATE REP D12	Billy Bob Faulkingham	Winter Harbor
STATE REP D13	John Linnehan	Ellsworth
	Barbara W. Reeve	Ellsworth
STATE REP D14	Stephen A. Coston	Bar Harbor
	Duncan G. Haass	Lamoine
	Lynne A. Williams	Bar Harbor

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D15	Holly Eaton	Deer Isle
	Jason Manantan Joyce	Swan's Island
STATE REP D16	Stephen M. Hanrahan, III	Brooksville
	Nina Azella Milliken	Blue Hill
STATE REP D17	Sherman H. Hutchins	Penobscot
	Pamela W. Person	Orland
STATE REP D18	Meldon H. Carmichael	Greenbush
	Timothy B. Throckmorton	Dedham
STATE REP D19	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington
STATE REP D20	Jennifer Marie Morin	Brewer
	Kevin J.M. O'Connell	Brewer
STATE REP D21	Barbara A. Cardone	Bangor
STATE REP D22	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor
	Laura D. Supica	Bangor
STATE REP D23	David J. Pece	Bangor
	Amy J. Roeder	Bangor
STATE REP D24	Roderick Allen Hathaway	Veazie
	Joseph C. Perry	Bangor
STATE REP D25	Cameron S. Bowie	Orono
	Laurie J. Osher	Orono
STATE REP D26	James F. Dill	Old Town
	Christina M. Ouellette	Bradley
STATE REP D27	Gary Drinkwater	Milford
	Julie Vaillancourt	Milford
STATE REP D28	Natalie D. DiPentino	Enfield
	Jeffery Allen Gifford	Lincoln
STATE REP D29	Kathy Irene Javner	Chester
	Laurie E. York	TA R7 Wels (Dolby)

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D30	W. Louis Sidell Jr.	Guilford
	James Lee White	Guilford
STATE REP D31	Richard A. Evans	Dover-Foxcroft
	Chad Richard Perkins	Dover-Foxcroft
STATE REP D32	Steven D. Foster	Dexter
STATE REP D33	Danny E. Costain	Plymouth
	Donovan E. Todd, III	Etna
STATE REP D34	Abigail W. Griffin	Levant
	Frank LawrenceRoma	Glenburn
STATE REP D35	Candace T. Augustine	Hermon
	James E. Thorne	Carmel
STATE REP D36	Kristen M. Card	Hampden
	David G. Haggan	Hampden
STATE REP D37	Margaret D. English-Flanagan	Winterport
	Kevin J. Kelley	Winterport
	Reagan L. Paul	Winterport
STATE REP D38	Heather Elizabeth Garrold	Knox
	Benjamin C. Hymes	Waldo
	Robyn M. Stanicki	Unity
	Jesse J. Waryck	Brooks
STATE REP D39	Janice S. Dodge	Belfast
	Stephen J. Hemenway	Northport
STATE REP D40	Tricia M. Harrington	Liberty
	Stanley Paige Zeigler Jr.	Montville
STATE REP D41	Susan Lee Butterworth	Camden
	Victoria W. Doudera	Camden
STATE REP D42	Valli D. Geiger	Rockland
	Roger V. Tranfaglia	Rockland
STATE REP D43	Ann Higgins Matlack	St. George
	Heather Anne Sprague	Cushing

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D44	Crystal L. Robinson	Hope
STATE REP D45	Clinton E. Collamore	Waldoboro
	Lynn J. Madison	Waldoboro
STATE REP D46	Lydia V. Crafts	Newcastle
	Merle James Parise, II	Newcastle
STATE REP D47	Edward J. Polewarczyk	Wiscasset
STATE REP D48	Thomas A. Moroney	Boothbay
	Holly B. Stover	Boothbay
	Tricia L. Warren	Boothbay Harbor
STATE REP D49	Allison L. Hepler	Woolwich
	Richard Henry Tetrev	Woolwich
STATE REP D50	Jason E. Desjardins	Bath
	Sean C. Paulhus	Bath
STATE REP D51	Linda L. Baker	Topsham
	Rebecca L. Jauch	Topsham
STATE REP D52	Seth A. Berry	Bowdoinham
STATE REP D53	Jane L. Beckwith	Randolph
	Michael Lemelin	Chelsea
STATE REP D54	Charles J. Bussell	Gardiner
	Karen L. Montell	Gardiner
STATE REP D55	Daniel Joseph Shagoury	Hallowell
	Phillip Ryan Wiseman	Hallowell
	Patrick B. Wynne	Hallowell
STATE REP D56	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales
STATE REP D57	Tavis Rock Hasenfus	Readfield
	Corey S. Wilson	Readfield

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D58	Robert Smith Neal	New Sharon
	Daniel J. Newman	Belgrade
STATE REP D59	Raegan French LaRochelle	Augusta
	Micheal Raymond Michaud	Augusta
	James E. Orr	Augusta
STATE REP D60	William R. Bridgeo	Augusta
	William L. Clardy	Augusta
STATE REP D61	Richard T. Bradstreet	Vassalboro
	Amy J. Davidoff	Vassalboro
STATE REP D62	Katrina J. Smith	Palermo
	Pamela J. Swift	Palermo
	Jennifer V. Tuminaro	China
STATE REP D63	Phillip Bloomstein	Freedom
	Scott Wynn Cyrway	Albion
STATE REP D64	Colleen M. Madigan	Waterville
	Ruth Ann Malcolm	Waterville
STATE REP D65	Tammy Brown	Waterville
	Bruce A. White	Waterville
STATE REP D66	Alicia Barnes	Oakland
	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland
STATE REP D67	Shelley J. Rudnicki	Fairfield
	Robert Sezak	Fairfield
STATE REP D68	Amanda Noelle Collamore	Pittsfield
	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield
STATE REP D69	Dean A. Cray	Palmyra
	Stephen A. Hale	Canaan
STATE REP D70	Iver W. Lofving	Skowhegan
	Jennifer Lynn Poirier	Skowhegan
STATE REP D71	John E. Ducharme, III	Madison
	Allison Mary Perkins	Cornville

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D72	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden
STATE REP D73	Nancy J. Bessey	Dallas Plt.
	Vincent Michael House	Sandy River Plt.
	Michael Soboleski	Phillips
STATE REP D74	Randall C. Hall	Wilton
	Gregory M. Kimber	Temple
STATE REP D75	Tiffany E. Estabrook	Chesterville
	H. Scott Landry	Farmington
STATE REP D76	Tamara N. Hoke	Jay
	Sheila A. Lyman	Livermore Falls
STATE REP D77	Bonita L. Bishop	Hartford
	Jody W. Brown	Canton
	Tammy L. Schmersal-Burgess	Mexico
STATE REP D78	Josanne C. Dolloff	Milton Twp
	David P. Thurston	Bethel
STATE REP D79	Dannie D. Abbott	West Paris
	John E. Andrews	Paris
	Don R. Berry	Sumner
	Ryan G. Ricci	Paris
STATE REP D80	Caldwell Jackson	Oxford
STATE REP D81	H. Sawin Millett, Jr.	Waterford
	Daniel A. Sipe	Norway
STATE REP D82	Nathan Robert Leigh Burnett	Hiram
	Caleb Joshua Ness	Fryeburg
STATE REP D83	Donna Dodge	Denmark
	Sierra Dyan Scribner	Harrison
STATE REP D84	Barry F. Powers	Sebago
	Mark Walker	Naples

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D85	Kimberly J. Pomerleau	Standish
	Christopher V. Struebing	Standish
STATE REP D86	Jessica L. Fay	Raymond
	Gregory E. Foster	Raymond
	Karen L. Lockwood	Raymond
STATE REP D87	David W. Boyer	Poland
STATE REP D88	Patrick W. Munsell	Auburn
	Kathleen A. Shaw	Auburn
STATE REP D89	Adam R. Lee	Auburn
STATE REP D90	Amy Dieterich	Auburn
	Laurel D. Libby	Auburn
STATE REP D91	Hildie J. Lipson	Wayne
	Joshua K. Morris	Turner
STATE REP D92	Thomas Henry Martin Jr.	Greene
	Stephen J. Wood	Greene
STATE REP D93	Margaret M. Craven	Lewiston
	Robert Andrew McCarthy	Lewiston
STATE REP D94	Janet Inger Beaudoin	Lewiston
	Kristen Sarah Cloutier	Lewiston
STATE REP D95	Mana H. Abdi	Lewiston
	Fred O. Sanborn-Silvers	Lewiston
STATE REP D96	Jonathan M. Connor	Lewiston
	John V. Myrand	Lewiston
STATE REP D97	Scott Newman Gaiason	Lisbon
	Richard G. Mason	Lisbon
STATE REP D98	Orion Evenstar Breen	Pownal
	Joseph C. Galletta	Durham
	Guy M. Lebida	Bowdoin

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D99	Stephen Warner Davis	Harpswell
	Cheryl A. Golek	Harpswell
	Michael J. Lawler	Brunswick
	Sheila S. Menair	Harpswell
STATE REP D100	Daniel J. Ankeles	Brunswick
	Andrew Kingman Kaleigh	Brunswick
	Angela D. Lallier	Brunswick
STATE REP D101	Poppy T. Arford	Brunswick
	Ravi Jackson	Brunswick
STATE REP D102	James J. Finegan Jr.	Freeport
	Gina B. LeDuc-Kuntz	Freeport
	Melanie F. Sachs	Freeport
STATE REP D103	Arthur L. Bell	Yarmouth
	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth
STATE REP D104	Amy Bradstreet Arata	New Gloucester
STATE REP D105	Anne Graham	North Yarmouth
	David Lawrence Reed	North Yarmouth
STATE REP D106	Barbara A. Bagshaw	Windham
	Jonathan E. Priest	Windham
	Thomas M. Tyler	Windham
STATE REP D107	Paul C. Fullam	Windham
	Michael David Hall	Windham
STATE REP D108	Stephanie R. Cressey	Gorham
	Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Gorham
STATE REP D109	James Allen Boyle	Gorham
	Joseph Edwards Velozo	Gorham
STATE REP D110	Scott William Jordan	Cumberland
	Stephen W. Moriarty	Cumberland
STATE REP D111	Amy D. Kuhn	Falmouth
	Christopher Mark Storms	Falmouth

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STATE REP D112	W. Edward Crockett	Portland
	Tammy Ryan	Portland
STATE REP D113	Grayson B. Lookner	Portland
STATE REP D114	Benjamin T. Collings	Portland
	Daniel L. Merrill	Portland
STATE REP D115	Michael F. Brennan	Portland
	Andrew Thomas Mahaleris	Portland
STATE REP D116	Dale J. Holman	Portland
	Samuel Lewis Zager	Portland
STATE REP D117	Matthew Moonen	Portland
		Portland
STATE REP D118	Rachel Talbot Ross	Portland
STATE REP D119	Peter Ignatius Doyle	Portland
	Susanne K. Robins	Portland
	Charles A. Skold	Portland
STATE REP D120	Michael J. Dougherty	So. Portland
	Victoria Morales	So. Portland
STATE REP D121	Christopher J. Kessler	So. Portland
	Tammy Walter	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D122	Lois Galgay Reckitt	So. Portland
STATE REP D123	Annie Christy	Cape Elizabeth
	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D124	Lisa Markowski	Scarborough
	Sophia B. Warren	Scarborough
STATE REP D125	Christopher A. Bolduc	Scarborough
	Christopher James Caiazzo	Scarborough

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D126	Jean-Marie Caterina	Scarborough
	Andrew Gattine	Westbrook
	Leslie Eugene Smith Jr.	Saco
STATE REP D127	Ryan C. Poitras	Westbrook
	Morgan J. Rielly	Westbrook
STATE REP D128	Charles William Ellis	Westbrook
	Suzanne M. Salisbury	Westbrook
STATE REP D129	Stephen R. DuPuis	Saco
	Margaret M. O'Neil	Saco
STATE REP D130	Lynn H. Copeland	Saco
	Theodore L. Sirois	Saco
STATE REP D131	Scott B. Eccleston	Old Orchard Beach
	Lori Kathryn Gramlich	Old Orchard Beach
STATE REP D132	Timothy S. Keenan	Biddeford
	Erin R. Sheehan	Biddeford
STATE REP D133	Marc G. Malon II	Biddeford
STATE REP D134	Traci L. Gere	Kennebunkport
	Elizabeth A. Jordan	Kennebunkport
	Ronald C. Russell	Kennebunkport
STATE REP D135	Todd V. DiFede	Kennebunk
	Daniel Sayre	Kennebunk
STATE REP D136	Heidi H. Sampson	Alfred
	Joseph Andrew Wagner	Lyman
STATE REP D137	Nathan M. Carlow	Buxton
	Robert W. Faucher	Buxton
STATE REP D138	Mark John Blier	Buxton
STATE REP D139	Nancy Germaine Piche	Waterboro
	David Woodsome	Waterboro

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D140	Wayne R. Parry	Arundel
	Kirstan L. Watson	Arundel
STATE REP D141	Patricia E. Kidder	Sanford
	Lucas John Lanigan	Sanford
	John M. McAdam	Sanford
STATE REP D142	Pamela Diane Buck	Sanford
	Joseph Robert Hanslip	Sanford
STATE REP D143	Wesley John Davie	Sanford
	Matthew J. Toth	Sanford
STATE REP D144	Jeffrey Sean Adams	Lebanon
	Corinna Cole	Lebanon
	Daniel M. Norwood	Acton
STATE REP D145	Daniel J. Hobbs	Wells
	Timothy M. Roche	Wells
STATE REP D146	Bradley S. Moulton	York
	Heath Ryan Ouellette	Ogunquit
	Walter Gerard Runte Jr.	York
STATE REP D147	Paul Hopfgarten	York
	David D. Koopman	York
	Holly T. Sargent	York
STATE REP D148	Thomas A. Lavigne	Berwick
	Margaret Wheeler	Berwick
STATE REP D149	Tiffany Danielle Roberts	So. Berwick
	Mark A. Rouillard	So. Berwick
STATE REP D150	Michele Meyer	Eliot
	David J. Rumery	Eliot
STATE REP D151	Kristi Michele Mathieson	Kittery
	Howard L. Patten	Kittery

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS

Acton	22
Albion	16
Alfred	33
Allagash	1
Alna	13
Alton	8
Amherst	6
Amity	2
Andover	19
Anson	5
Appleton	12
Argyle Township	8
Arundel	32
Ashland	1
Athens	5
Auburn	20
Augusta	15
Aurora	6
Avon	19
Baldwin	22
Bancroft Township	2
Bangor	9
Bar Harbor	7
Belgrade	15
Benton	3
Berwick	34
Bethel	19
Biddeford	32
Bingham	5
Blaine	2
Blue Hill	7
Boorthbay Harbor	13
Boothbay	13
Bradford	4
Bradley	10
Bremen	13
Brewer	10
Bridgewater	2

Bridgton	18
Brighton Plantation	5
Bristol	13
Brooklin	7
Brooksville	7
Brownfield	18
Brunswick	23
Buckfield	19
Bucksport	10
Burlington	8
Buxton	31
Byron	19
Cambridge	5
Camden	12
Canaan	3
Canton	19
Cape Elizabeth	29
Caratunk	5
Caribou	1
Carmel	10
Carrabassett Valley	5
Carroll Plantation	8
Carthage	19
Casco	26
Castine	7
Castle Hill	1
Caswell	1
Central Arrostook UT	2
Central Hancock UT	6
Central Somerset UT	5
Chapman	1
Charleston	4
Chebeague Island	23
Chelsea	14
Chester	2
Chesterville	5
China	15
Clifton	10

Clinton	3
Connor	1
Coplin Plantation	19
Corinna	4
Corinth	4
Cornish	22
Cornville	5
Cranberry Isles	7
Criehaven UT	12
Crystal	2
Cumberland	25
Cushing	12
Cyr Plantation	1
Dallas Plantation	19
Damariscotta	13
Dayton	32
Dedham	10
Deer Isle	7
Denmark	18
Dennistown Plantation	5
Detroit	3
Dexter	4
Dixfield	19
Dixmont	3
Dresden	24
Drew Plantation	2
Durham	20
Dyer Brook	2
Eagle Lake	1
East Central Franklin UT	5
East Central Penobscot UT	8
East Hancock UT	6
East Millinocket	2
Eastbrook Franklin	6
Easton	2
Eddington	10
Edgecomb	13
Edinburg	8

Eliot	35
Ellsworth	7
Embden	5
Enfield	8
Etna	3
eustis	19
Exeter	4
Fairfield	16
Falmouth	25
Farmindale	14
Farmiongton	5
Fayette	17
Fort Fairfield	1
Fort Kent	1
Frechville	1
Freeport	23
Frenchboro	7
Friendship	12
Frye Island	26
Fryeburg	18
Gardiner	14
Garfield Plantation	1
Garland	4
Gilead	19
Glenburn	4
Glenwood Plantation	2
Gorham	30
Gouldsboro	6
Grand Isle	1
Gray	25
Great Pond	6
Greenbush	8
Greene	17
Greenwood	19
Hallowell	14
Hamlin	1
Hammond	2
Hampden	10

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
Lewiston	21

Limerick	22
Limestone	1
Limington	22
Lincoln	8
Lincoln Plantation	19
Linneus	2
Lisbon	17
Litchfield	17
Littleton	2
Livermore	17
Livermore Falls	17
Long Island	25
Long Island	28
Louds Island UT	13
Lovell	19
Lowell	8
Ludlow	2
Lyman	32
Macwahoc Plantation	2
Madawaska	1
Madison	3
Magalloway Plantation	19
Manchester	14
Mapleton	1
Mariaville	6
Mars Mill	2
Marshall Island UT	7
Masardis	1
Matinicus Isle Plantation	12
Mattawamkeag	2
Maxfield	2
Mechanic Falls	18
Medway	2
Mercer	5
Merrill	2
Mexico	19
Milford	8
Millinocket	2
Milton Township	19
Minot	18
Monhegan Plantation	13

Monmouth	14
Monticelo	2
Moose River	5
Moro Plantation	2
Moscow	5
Mount Chase	2
Mount Desert	7
Mount Vernon	15
Muscle Ridge Islands UT	12
Naples	22
Nashville Plantation	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	20
New Limerick	2
New Portland	5
New Sharon	5
New Sweden	1
New Vineyard	5
Newburgh	10
Newcastle	13
Newfield	22
Newport	3
Newry	19
Nobleboro	13
Norridgewock	3
North Berwick	34
North Franklin UT	19
North Haven	12
North Oxford UT	19
North Penobscot UT	2
North Yarmouth'	25
Northeast Somerset UT	5
Northwest Aroostook UT	1
Northwest Hancock UT	6
Northwest Somerset UT	5
Norway	18
Oakfield	2
Oakland	16
Ogunquit	35
Old Orchard Beach	31

Old Town	8
Orient	2
Orland	7
Orono	8
Orrington	10
Osborn	6
Otis	10
Otisfield	18
Owls Head	12
Oxford	18
Palmyra	3
Paris	18
Paronsfield	22
Passadumkeag	8
Patten	2
Penobscot	7
Penobscot Indian Island	8
Perham	1
Peru	19
Phillips	19
Piscataquis Countty	4
Pittsfield	3
Pittston	14
Pleasant Ridge Plantation	5
Plymouth	3
Poland	20
Portage Lake	1
Porter	22
Portland	27
Portland	28
Pownal	23
Prentiss Township	8
Presque Isle	2
Randolph	14
Rangeley	19
Rangely Plantation	19
Raymond	26
Readfield	14
Reed Plantation	2
Ripley	5

Rockland	12
Rockport	12
Rome	5
Roxbury	19
Rumford	19
Sabattus	17
Saco	31
Sagadahoc County	24
Saint Agatha	1
Saint Albans	5
Saint Francis	1
Saint George	12
Saint John Plantation	1
Sandy River Plantation	19
Sanford	33
Scarborough	29
Scarborough	30
Sebago	22
Seboeis Plantation	2
Seboomook Lake UT	5
Sedgwick	7
Shapleigh	22
Sherman	2
Sidney	15
Skowhegan	3
Smithfield	5
Smyrna	2
Solon	5
Somerville	13
Sorrento	6
South Aroostook UT	2

South Berwick	35
South Bristol	13
South Franklin UT	19
South Oxford UT	19
South Portland	29
South Thomaston	12
Southport	13
Southwest Harbor	7
Springfield	8
Square Lake UT	1
Stacyville	2
Standish	22
Starks	5
Stetson	3
Stockholm	1
Stonham	19
Stonington	7
Stow	19
Strong	5
Sullivan	6
Sumner	19
Surry	7
Swans Island	7
Sweden	18
Temple	19
The Forks Plantation	5
Thomaston	12
Tremont	7
Trenton	7
Turner	17

Twombley Rodge Township	8
Union	12
Unity Township	3
Upton	19
Van Buren	1
Vassalboro	15
Veazie	8
Verona Island	7
Vienna	5
Vinalhaven	12
Wade	1
Waldo County	11
Waldoboro	13
Wales	17
Wallagrass	1
Waltham	6
Warren	12
Washburn	1
Washington	13
Washington County	6
Waterboro	33
Waterford	18
Waterville	16
Wayne	14
Webster Plantation	8
Weld	19
Wells	34
West Central Franklin UT	19
West Forks Plantation	5
West Gardiner	14

West Paris	19
Westbrook	26
Westbrook	27
Westfield	2
Westmanland	1
Weston	2
Westport Island	13
Whitefield	13
Whitney Township	8
Wilton	5
Windham	26
Windsor	13
Winn	8
Winslow	16
Winter Harbor	6
Winterville Plantation	1
Winthrop	14
Wiscasset	13
Woodland	1
Woodstock	19
Woodville	2

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HOUSE DISTRICT / TOWNS

Abbot	30
Acton	144
Addison	11
Albion	63
Alexander	10
Alfred	136
Allagash	1
Alna	47
Alton	27
Amherst	18
Amity	8
Andover	73
Anson	72
Anthens	72
Appleton	40
Argyle	27
Arrowsic	49
Arundel	140
Ashland	1
Auburn	88
Auburn	89
Auburn	90
Augusta	59
Augusta	60
Aurora	18
Avon	74
Baileyville	9
Baldwin	84
Bancroft	8
Bangor	21
Bangor	22
Bangor	23
Bangor	24
Bar Harbor	14
Baring	9
Bath	50
Beals	11
Beaver Cove	30

Beddington	18
Belfast	39
Belgrade	58
Belmont	39
Benton	67
Berwick	148
Bethel	78
Biddeford	132
Biddeford	133
Biddeford	134
Bingham	72
Blaine	6
Blanchard	30
Blue Hill	16
Boothbay	48
Boothbay Harbor	48
Bowdoin	52
Bowdoin	98
Bowdoinham	52
Bowerbank	30
Bradford	27
Bradford	32
Bradley	26
Bremen	45
Brewer	20
Brewer	24
Bridgewater	6
Bridgton	83
Brighton	30
Bristol	46
Brooklin	15
Brooks	38
Brooksville	16
Brownfield	82
Brownville	31
Brunswick	99
Brunswick	100
Brunswick	101

Buckfield	80
Bucksport	17
Burlington	18
Burnham	68
Buxton	137
Buxton	138
Byron	78
Calais	9
Cambridge	30
Camden	41
Canaan	69
Canton	77
Cape Elizabetth	121
Cape Elizabetth	123
Caratunk	72
Caribou	4
Carmel	35
Carrabassett Valley	73
Carroll	8
Carthage	74
Casco	86
Castine	16
Castle Hill	6
Caswell	3
Central Arrostook	6
Central Hancock	13
Central Somerset	72
Chapman	6
Charleston	32
Charlotte	10
Chebeague Island	110
Chelsea	53
Cherryfield	18
Chester	29
Chesterville	75
China	62
Clifton	18
Clinton	68

Codyville	8
Columbia	11
Columbia Falls	11
Connor	3
Cooper	10
Coplin	73
Corinna	33
Corinth	27
Cornish	138
Cornville	71
Cranberry Isles	14
Crawford	10
Criehaven	42
Crystal	8
Cumberland	110
Cushing	43
Cutler	10
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Maine Right to Life is gathering people who value life – in all its forms – to provide a safe haven to come together, learn about the Pro-Life movement, interact with our decision makers in Augusta, and become strong and informed advocates for life – the way LIFE should be in Maine. If you love life and love Maine, please join us!

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Decisions, Alternatives, Options	Choice
Unborn child, Pre-born Child, Baby	Fetus
She or He	It (about the baby)
Mother	(Pregnant) Woman
Abortionist	Doctor, Physician
Abortion Facility	Clinic, Hospital
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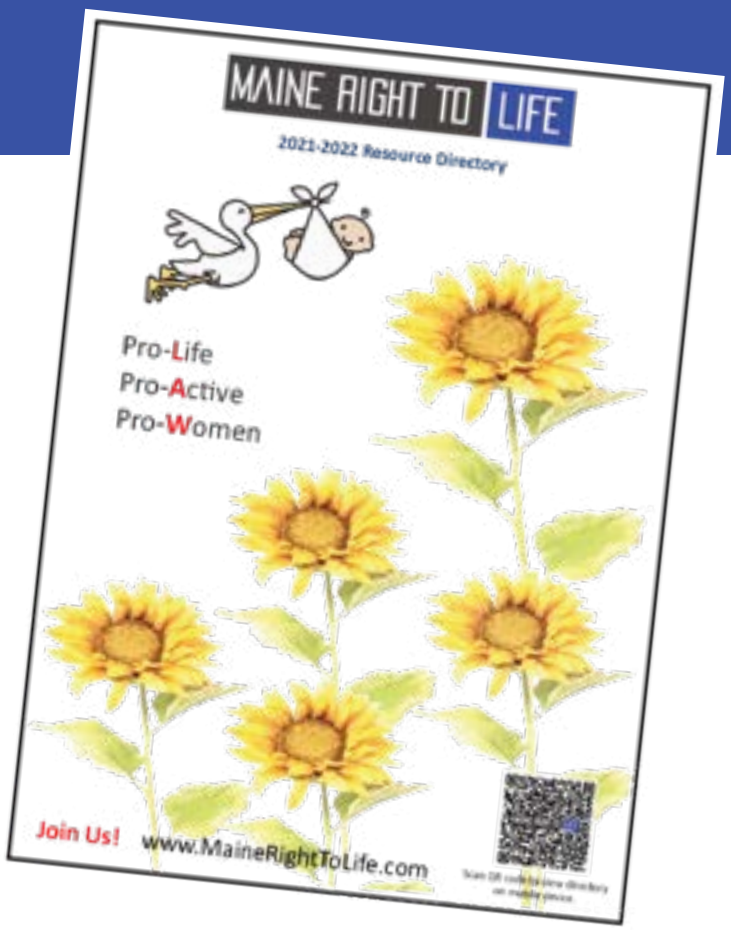

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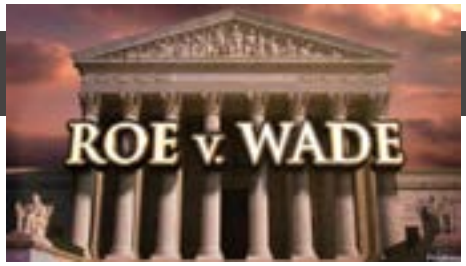

Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

Margaret Sanger – 1879-1966

If Margaret Sanger had her way, she would be remembered as the prominent leader of the birth control movement who liberated women and gave them sexual freedom. Don't be fooled! Margaret Sanger is the kingpin architect who launched the most thriving crusade against women, minorities, and the disabled.

She is depicted guardedly and deceitfully in the history books – all part of her master plan to set and control a narrative that is being played out today.

Contrary to what we have heard, Margaret Sanger was not a compassionate liberal woman who dedicated her life's work out of concern for poor minority women and their families, and women's reproductive healthcare. Rather, she was closely associated with leaders of the eugenics movement, which include Lawrence Lader (author of her biography) and Alan Guttmacher, who played a pivotal role in the founding of Planned Parenthood.

Margaret Sanger was the sixth of eleven children, born to poor Irish immigrant parents in Corning, NY. Her father advocated for socialism and was an outspoken critic of the Catholic church. Her mother was Catholic, and died at age 50 of tuberculosis. Sanger claimed her premature death was caused by eleven childbirths and seven miscarriages. She lashed out at Catholic clergy and her father for causing her mother's death, hence committing her life's work to perfect contraception to relieve women from the horrible stain of repeated, unwanted pregnancies.

Raised in poverty, she married into wealth and settled in Greenwich Village, NY, where she became closely associated with leading figures in the eugenics movement, believing that some human races were superior to others and therefore, superior races should be encouraged to reproduce, while inferior members of society, such as the poor or minorities should be regulated and controlled

Sanger published *The Birth Control Review in 1917. In the May 1919 edition, she wrote: "More children from the fit, less from the unfit – that is the chief aim of birth control." In November 1921's edition, she declared, "birth control: to create a race of thoroughbreds." That same year, she founded the American Birth Control League (later to become Planned Parenthood).*

Not only did Sanger have a disregard for the poor, whom she referred to as "human weeds", she also had a disdain for blacks, of which her motives were clear: "Remember our motto: if we must have welfare, give it to the rich, not to the poor…we are paying for and even submitting to the dictates of an ever increasing, unceasingly spawning class of human beings who never should have been born at all."

Sanger joined forces with her wealthy racist friend, and heir to the Proctor Gamble fortune, Dr. Clarence Gamble to create the "Negro Project". Under the guise of helping the poor black community, a strategy was in place to recruit charismatic black ministers to encourage black women to use birth control. Sanger wrote to Dr. Gamble: "we do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population and the minister is the man who can straighten that idea out if it ever occurs to any of the more rebellious members."

Today Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortion in the US, responsible for aborting a disproportionately higher number of black babies. According to Candace Owens, author of *Blackout*, black women have the highest abortion rate among all racial groups; while they represent 13% of the US female population, they make up 40% of all abortions Seventy-eight percent of Planned Parenthood clinics are located in low income minority communities.

Sanger also had a strong aversion to marriage: "The marriage bed is the most degenerating influence in the social order." She endorsed over throwing the family unit and making way for a "voluntary association" between sexual partners that focus more on sexual gratification rather than reproduction. In her book: *Women and the New Race* she wrote: "Many, perhaps, will think it idle to go further in demonstrating the immorality of large families, but since there is still an abundance of proof at hand, it may be offered for the sake of those who find difficulty in adjusting old-fashion ideas to the facts. The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."

The Margaret Sanger legacy, is a legacy of lies:

- Although married, Margaret Sanger resented marriage.
- Although a mother, she resented motherhood.
- Although confirmed in Catholic faith, she denounced Christianity and God.
- Although Quaker-appearing, she was a serial adulteress.
- Although she was 'opposed to abortion', she believed in infanticide.
- Although she was a socialist, she married a multi-millionaire industrialist oil tycoon and became an anarchist.
- Although she employed genocidal policies, she posed as a reputable community health service provider.
- Although a millionaire, she vowed to spend her late husband's $5 million dollars on herself before she died, (leaving nothing to her sons and grandchildren)

Maine Right to Life believes the bust of Sanger should be removed and Planned Parenthood should be defunded. **If you agree, will you write your local Representatives and tell them?** There are several bills before the legislature this session asking for more taxpayer dollars to fund Planned Parenthood and to increased access to abortion.

Bust of Margaret Sanger in Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery's "Struggle for Justice" exhibit.

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 1064 An Act To Advance Palliative Care Utilization in the State
April 1, 2021

Senator Claxton, Representative Meyer, and distinguished members of the Health and Human Services Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Director of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. I come before you today in support of LD 1064, An Act To Advance Palliative Care Utilization in the State, and I thank Representative Craven for sponsoring this bill.

Maine Right to Life is a state affiliate of the National Right To Life Committee. We are a non-profit organization founded to protect and uphold the dignity and worth of every human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

Facing a debilitating health condition takes a toll on everyone – the patient, family, friends and community. Having a compassionate and standardized palliative care team in Maine is a noble pursuit that promotes the human dignity of every human life.

Healthcare is daunting. A critical health diagnosis is overwhelming – not just the patient. Loved ones want to help and know where to turn. Educating Mainers about Palliative Care, and getting healthcare workers on the same page with an integrated care model, that appropriately reimburses the entire disciplinary team no matter where the patient receives their care is so important.

A well-crafted integrated palliative care team neither hastens nor postpones death; rather it affirms life and treats dying as a normal process, providing relief from pain or other distressing symptoms, integrating the physical, psychological, and spiritual aspects of patient care.

Passage of LD 1064 should make Maine proud. I encourage this committee to unanimously vote ought to pass! Thank you.

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LD 748 "An Act To Remove Coverage under the MaineCare Program for Abortions Not Covered by Medicaid"
LD 825 "An Act To Ensure Equality in Women's Health Care Access in Maine by Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients of Options and Alternatives"
LD 851 "An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed of Abortion Pill Reversal"
LD 915 "An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services"
LD 926 "An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports"
LD 1225 "An Act To Provide Dignity for Fetal Remains by Requiring Their Interment or Cremation"
LD 1229 "An Act To Require Certain Medical Providers To Administer Ultrasounds and Provide Information to Certain Pregnant Patients"

LD 560
An Act to Amend the Safe Haven Laws.
✓ **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

LD 1064
An Act To Advance Palliative Care Utilization in the State.
✓ **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

LD 1238
An Act To Protect Women's Single-sex Shelters.
X The Majority Report "Ought Not to Pass" was ACCEPTED

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129	**Lyford**	Peter	R	197 Jarvis Gore Drive Eddington	04428	(207) 843-7759 / (207) 944-3886 Peter.Lyford@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
74	**Lyman**	Sheila	R	14 Lyman Lane Livermore Falls	04254	(207) 320-0588 Sheila.Lyman@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	**Madigan**	Colleen	D	13 Gilman Street Waterville	04901	(207) 692-7143 Colleen.Madigan@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
150	**Martin**	Roland	D	P.O. Box 97 Sinclair	04779	(207) 231-1358 Danny.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
151	**Martin**	John	D	P.O. Box 250 Eagle Lake	04739	(207) 444-5556 / (207) 834-7568 John.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
57	**Martin, Jr.**	Thomas	R	25 Lake Shore Drive Greene	04236	(207) 692-6837 Thomas.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
56	**Mason**	Richard	R	312 Ridge Road Lisbon Falls	04252	(207) 577-1001 Richard.Mason@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	**Mathieson**	Kristi	D	26 Haley Road Kittery	03904	(207) 439-1865 Kristi.Mathieson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
92	**Matlack**	Ann	D	130 Scraggle Point Road Spruce Head	04859	(207) 594-4831 Ann.Matlack@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
148	**McCrea**	David	D	P.O. Box 513 Fort Fairfield	04742	(207) 472-4212 / (207) 227-4903 David.McCrea@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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51	**McCreight**	Joyce	D	155 Gun Point Road Harpswell	04079	(207) 449-3293 Jay.McCreight@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
134	**McDonald**	Genevieve	D	129 North Main Street Stonington	04681	(207) 266-5113 Genevieve.McDonald@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
62	**Melaragno**	Gina	D	25 James Street, Apt. 3 Auburn	04210	(207) 740-8860 Gina.Melaragno@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2	**Meyer**	Michele	D	58 Odiorne Lane Eliot	03903	(207) 438-9197 Michele.Meyer@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
30	**Millett**	Rebecca	D	PMB 375, 50 Market Street, Suite 1A South Portland	04106	(207) 415-3770 Rebecca.Millett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	X	X	X	X
71	**Millett, Jr.**	H.	R	37 Golden Guernsey Drive Waterford	04088	(207) 583-4842 / (207) 592-5398 Sawin.Millett@legislature.maine.gov	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	**Morales**	Victoria	D	98 Thirlmere Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 287-1430 Victoria.Morales@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
45	**Moriarty**	Stephen	D	12 Oak Street Cumberland	04021	(207) 829-5095 / (207) 318-3238 Steve.Moriarty@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
75	**Morris**	Joshua	R	P.O. Box 246 North Turner	04266	(207) 754-7829 Joshua.Morris@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
78	**Nadeau**	Cathy	R	943 China Road Winslow	04901	(207) 314-6107 Cathy.Nadeau@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
76	**Newman**	Daniel	R	33 Caribou Road Belgrade	04917	(207) 458-1837 Daniel.Newman@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
128	**O'Connell**	Kevin	D	7 Sites Lane Brewer	04412	(207) 735-6978 Kevin.OConnell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5	**O'Connor**	Beth	R	66 Pine Hill MHP Berwick	03901	(207) 289-9047 Beth.OConnor@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
15	**O'Neil**	Margaret	D	21 Sheila Circle Saco	04072	(207) 590-1679 Margaret.ONeil@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
23	**Ordway**	Lester	R	P.O. Box 212 Standish	04084	(207) 642-3491 / (207) 671-3956 Lester.Ordway@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
123	**Osher**	Laurie	D	13 Mayo Street Orono	04473	(207) 944-6743 Laurie.Osher@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10	**Parry**	Wayne	R	851 Alfred Road Arundel	04046	(207) 286-9146 Wayne.Parry@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	**Paulhus**	Sean	D	677 Middle Street Bath	04530	(207) 751-7760 Sean.Paulhus@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	A	X	X
133	**Pebworth**	Sarah	D	P.O. Box 347 Blue Hill	04614	(207) 479-4741 Sarah.Pebworth@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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140	**Perry**	Anne	D	474 South Street Calais	04619	(207) 454-7338 / (207) 214-7000 Anne.Perry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
124	**Perry, Sr.**	Joseph	D	349 Fern Street Bangor	04401	(207) 942-5585 / (207) 659-5295 Joseph.Perry@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	✓	X	X	X
116	**Pickett**	Richard	R	21 Church Street East Dixfield	04227	(207) 645-4893 Richard.Pickett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	**Pierce**	Teresa	D	6 Waites Landing Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 415-8631 Teresa.Pierce@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
95	**Pluecker**	William	I	1133 Finntown Road Warren	04864	(207) 273-3044 Bill.Pluecker@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
107	**Poirier**	Jennifer	R	78 Palmer Road Skowhegan	04976	(207) 399-9784 Jennifer.Poirier@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	X
17	**Prescott**	Dwayne	R	P.O. Box 77 North Waterboro	04061	(207) 710-1614 Dwayne.Prescott@legislature.maine.gov	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
144	**Quint**	Tracy	R	318 Westford Hill Road Hodgdon	04730	(207) 217-4493 Tracy.Quint@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	**Reckitt**	Lois	D	38 Myrtle Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 712-2474 Lois.Reckitt@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
34	**Rielly**	Morgan	D	16 Blue Spruce Farm Road Westbrook	04092	(207) 228-5767 Morgan.Rielly@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
69	**Riseman**	Walter	I	P.O. Box 543 Harrison	04040	(207) 890-7866 Walter.Riseman@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
6	**Roberts**	Tiffany	D	35 Buttonwood Road South Berwick	03908	(207) 704-0086 / (207) 210-3287 Tiffany.Roberts@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7	**Roche**	Timothy	R	34 Loop Road Wells	04090	(207) 337-5665 Tim.Roche@legislature.maine.gov	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
125	**Roeder**	Amy	D	45 Blackstone Street Bangor	04401	(646) 734-5748 Amy.Roeder@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
108	**Rudnicki**	Shelley	R	211 Norridgewock Road Fairfield	04937	(207) 314-6898 Shelley.Rudnicki@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
48	**Sachs**	Melanie	D	84 Kelsey Ridge Road Freeport	04032	(207) 299-6825 Melanie.Sachs@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
35	**Salisbury**	Suzanne	D	134 Park Road Westbrook	04092	(207) 899-6863 Suzanne.Salisbury@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
21	**Sampson**	Heidi	R	465 Kennebunk Road Alfred	04002	(207) 590-1909 Heidi.Sampson@legislature.maine.gov	A	A	A	A	✓	A	A

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112	**Skolfield**	Thomas	R	349 Phillips Road Weld	04285	(207) 585-2638 / (207) 615-9800 Thomas.Skolfield@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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89	**Stover**	Holly	D	71 Dover Road Boothbay	04537	(207) 633-5979 Holly.Stover@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
126	**Supica**	Laura	D	34 Highland Avenue Bangor	04401	(207) 717-5702 Laura.Supica@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	A	X	X
39	**Sylvester**	Michael	D	159 Central Avenue Peaks Island	04108	(207) 766-5758 / (207) 239-1777 Mike.Sylvester@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
40	**Talbot Ross**	Rachel	D	39 Washburn Avenue Portland	04101	(207) 653-3953 Rachel.TalbotRoss@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
54	**Tepler**	Denise	D	13 Homeplace Topsham	04086	(207) 729-4018 Denise.Tepler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
26	**Terry**	Maureen	D	9 Lombard Street Gorham	04038	(207) 712-9735 Maureen.Terry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
79	**Theriault**	Timothy	R	1210 Lakeview Drive China	04358	(207) 968-2641 Tim.Theriault@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
103	**Thorne**	James	R	458 Irish Road Carmel	04419	(207) 735-5827 Jim.Thorne@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50	**Tucker**	Ralph	D	15 McKeen Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 725-7639 Ralph.Tucker@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
139	**Tuell**	William	R	431 Hadley Lake Road East Machias	04630	(207) 271-8521 Will.Tuell@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	**Tuttle, Jr.**	John	D	176 Cottage Street Sanford	04073	(207) 324-5964/(207) 324-9173/(207) 432-4574 John.Tuttle@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
147	**Underwood**	Joseph	R	45 Allen Street Presque Isle	04769	(207) 762-4921 Joseph.Underwood@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	**Wadsworth**	Nathan	R	29 Rock Crop Way Hiram	04041	(207) 838-7451 Nathan.Wadsworth@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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84	**Warren**	Charlotte	D	19 Oakwood Drive Hallowell	04347	(207) 441-9116 Charlotte.Warren@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
109	**White**	Bruce	D	1 Silvermount Street Waterville	04901	(207) 660-8722 Bruce.White@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
146	**White**	Dustin	R	P.O. Box 1654 Presque Isle	04769	(207) 227-8756 Dustin.White@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
135	**Williams**	Lynne	D	13 Albert Meadow Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 266-6327 Lynne.Williams@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
38	**Wood**	Barbara	D	125 Emery Street Portland	04102	(207) 650-4747 Barb.Wood@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
41	**Zager**	Samuel	D	90 Prospect Street Portland	04103	(207) 400-6846 Sam.Zager@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
96	**Zeigler, Jr.**	Stanley	D	60 Freedom Pond Rd. Montville	04941	(207) 322-1414 StanleyPaige.Zeigler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Testimony in support

LD 1401 An Act To Prohibit Biological Males from Participating in School Athletic Programs and Activities Designed for Females at Schools That Receive Federal Funding.

May 6, 2021

Senator Carney, Representative Harnett, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Karen Vachon and I am the Executive Directory of Maine Right To Life, located in Auburn. We support LD 1401: An Act To Prohibit Biological Males from Participating in School Athletic Programs and Activities Designed for Females at Schools That Receive Federal Funding.

Maine Right to Life is a state affiliate of the National Right To Life Committee. We are a non-profit organization founded to protect and uphold the dignity and worth of every human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives. We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women.

This testimony addresses our Pro-Women position. Women are biologically different than men. In addressing fairness and equal opportunity, Title XI was introduced in 1972 to even the playing field for women's sports. There wouldn't be a need for Title XI in the first place, if biological females were not at a competitive disadvantage! Title XI afforded the opportunity to put biological women in a league of their own, providing equal funding, equal access, thus allowing them to excel in sports comparable to their male counter parts. Title XI has opened a world of opportunity for biological women, and should not be undermined or compromised by permitting anyone who is biologically different than biologically female - which Title XI sought to protect in the first place.

We continually hear public service announcements on the radio about the benefits of team sports and the impact it has on confidence and wellbeing. Biological females deserve an even and fair playing field – why shatter hopes and dreams of biological females for the benefit of a few biological males who transgend to female? It seems the long road to fairness, the hopes, and the dreams of many female athletes are being sacrificed for medically altered biological males who want to compete against biological females.

All women – biological or transgender, should be able to participate in the male league if they can make the team. Biological women, who can't make the male team, have Title XI funding to thank for the opportunity to participate in the Women's league. Keep it this way. This is fair and equitable – by design, to protect biological women. Please support LD 1401. Thank you.

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14	**Bellows**	Shenna	D	33 Kerns Hill Road Manchester	04351	(207) 776-5404 shenna.bellows@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	--	--
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25	**Breen**	Catherine	D	15 Falmouth Ridges Drive Falmouth	04105	(207) 329-6142 cathy.breen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	--	--
2	**Carpenter**	Michael	D	PO Box 1406 Houlton	04730	(207) 532-2491 mike.carpenter@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	X	--	--
24	**Carson**	Everett	D	PO Box 68 Harpswell	04079	(207) 833-6323 brownie.carson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	--	--
31	**Chenette**	Justin	D	20 Garfield Street Apt.20 Saco	04072	(207) 590-3266 justin.chenette@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
27	**Chipman**	Benjamin	D	5 Mayo Street #3 Portland	04101	(207) 318-4961 votechipman@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
34	**Collins**	Ronald	R	401 Harriseckett Road Wells	04090	(207) 985-2485 / (207) 468-8960 rcollins7@maine.rr.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
10	**Cushing**	Andre	R	PO Box 211 Hampden	04444	(207) 449-1358 andre@andrecushing.com	✓ (Z)	✓	✓	✓	--	--
16	**Cyrway**	Scott	R	363 Albion Road Benton	04901	(207) 453-7787 / (207) 485-1308 scyrway@roadrunner.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
4	**Davis**	Paul	R	36 Townhouse Road Sangerville	04479	(207) 876-4047 / (207) 343-0285 sendavis@myottmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
32	**Deschambault**	Susan	D	9 Porter Street Biddeford	04005	(207) 284-4884 susan.deschambault@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
26	**Diamond**	G	D	10 Crown Point Windham	04062	(207) 892-8941 diamondhollyd@aol.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
5	**Dill**	James	D	72 Sunset Drive Old Town	04468	(207) 827-3498 / (207) 949-2155 jamesdill207@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
28	**Dion**	Mark	D	45 Allison Avenue Portland	04103	(207) 797-6341 mndion@msn.com	X	X	X	X	--	--
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9	**Gratwick**	Geoffrey	D	1230 Kenduskeag Avenue Bangor	04401	(207) 947-0637 geoffrey.gratwick@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	--	--

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35	**Hill**	Dawn	D	124 Pine Hill Road Cape Neddick	03902	(207) 337-3689 dawn@dawnhill.org	X (M)	X	✓	X	--	--
1	**Jackson**	Troy	D	167 Allagash Road Allagash	04774	(207) 398-4081 / (207) 436-0763 senatorjackson1@gmail.com	✓	X	✓	X	--	--
15	**Katz**	Roger	R	3 Westview Road Augusta	04330	(207) 622-9921 / (207) 485-2394 rkatz@lipmankatz.com	X (M)	✓	✓	✓	--	--
18	**Keim**	Lisa	R	1505 Main St. Dixfield	04224	(207) 562-6023 lisa.keim@hotmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
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21	**Libby**	Nathan	D	44 Robinson Gardens Lewiston	04240	(207) 399-7993 / (207) 713-8449 nathan.libby@gmail.com	X	X	✓	X	--	--
6	**Maker**	Joyce	R	89 Lafayette Street Calais	04619	(207) 454-2327 gjmaker@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
22	**Mason**	Garrett	R	PO Box 395 Lisbon	04252	(207) 577-1521 garrettpaulmason@gmail.com	✓ (Z)	✓	✓	✓	--	--
29	**Millett**	Rebecca	D	PMB 375, 50 Market Street South Portland	04106	(207) 415-3903 senrebecca.millett@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	--	--
12	**Miramant**	David	D	174 Mountain Street Camden	04843	(207) 236-4845 davemiramant@gmail.com	X	X	X	X	--	--
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11	**Thibodeau**	Michael	R	169 Coles Corner Road Winterport	04496	(207) 223-5177 / (207) 949-1481 senatorthibodeau@aol.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
23	**Vitelli**	Eloise	D	73 Newtown Road Arrowsic	04530	(207) 443-4660 eloise.vitelli@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	✓	X	--	--
30	**Volk**	Amy	R	PO Box 1542 Scarborough	04070	(207) 229-5091 / (207) 883-1963 avolk@volkboxes.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
3	**Whittemore**	Rodney	R	PO Box 96 Skowhegan	04976	(207) 474-6703 rodwhittemore@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--
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DIST	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Pty	ADDRESS / CITY	ZIP	PHONE NUMBER / EMAIL	**LD 820** An Act to Prevent Discrimination in Public and Private Insurance Coverage for Pregnant Women in Maine.	**LD 433** Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual.	**LD 1261** An Act to Authorize Certain Health Care Professionals to Perform Abortions.	**LD 1313** An Act to Enact the Maine Death With Dignity Act.	**LD 37** An Act to Allow for the Sale of Nonpescription Drugs Through Vending Machines.
82	**Ackley**	Kent	CSI	705 Route 135 Monmouth	04259	(207) 512-2524 kent.ackley@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
138	**Alley**	Robert	D	P. O. Box 263 Beals	04611	(207) 497-5562 / (207) 263-4442 Robert.Alley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	A	✓	X
73	**Andrews**	John	R	P.O. Box 118 Paris	04271	(207) 739-9075 John.Andrews@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
65	**Arata**	Amy	R	607 Bald Hill Road / PO Box 2 New Gloucester	04260	(207) 333-1817 / (207) 333-1817 Amy.Arata@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	**Austin**	Betty	D	41 Woodland Drive Skowhegan	04976	(207) 431-4287 Betty.Austin@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	✓	X
67	**Austin**	Susan	R	136 Yarmouth Road Gray	04039	(207) 657-4100 Sue.Austin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	**Babbidge**	Christopher	D	84 Stratford Place Kennebunk	04043	(207) 985-3332 / (207) 229-4064 Christopher.Babbidge@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
29	**Babine**	Shawn	D	1 Summerfield Lane Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-0439 Shawn.Babine@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
14	**Bailey**	Donna	D	7 Scrimshaw Lane Saco	04072	(207) 284-9962 Donna.Bailey@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
93	**Beebe-Center**	Pinny	D	14 Edwards Street Rockland	04841	(207) 596-3937 Pinny.Beebe-Center@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
55	**Berry**	Seth	D	1245 River Road Bowdoinham	04008	(207) 522-1609 Seth.Berry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
63	**Bickford**	Bruce	R	64 Cameron Lane Auburn	04210	(207) 740-0328 Bruce.Bickford@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	**Blier**	Mark	R	50 Hall Road Buxton	04093	(207) 712-5705 Mark.Blier@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	**Blume**	Lydia	D	P. O. Box 1738 York	03910	(207) 363-9235 Lydia.Blume@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
80	**Bradstreet**	Richard	R	44 Harmony Lane Vassalboro	04989	(207) 861-1657 dick.bradstreet@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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36	**Brennan**	Michael	D	49 Wellington Road Portland	04103	(207) 939-6462 Michael.Brennan@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
61	**Brooks**	Heidi	D	1 Pleasant Street, #2 Lewiston	04240	(207) 740-5229 Heidi.Brooks@legislature.maine.gov	A	E	E	E	E
24	**Bryant**	Mark	D	166 Albion Road Windham	04062	(207) 892-6591 Mark.Bryant@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
28	**Caiazzo**	Christopher	D	17 Elmwood Avenue Scarborough	04074	(207) 883-6482 / (207) 468-4719 Chris.Caiazzo@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X
130	**Campbell**	Richard	R	321 River Road Orrington	04474	(207) 745-7748 / (207) 745-7748 Dick.Campbell@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
127	**Cardone**	Barbara	D	39 Harthorn Avenue Bangor	04401	(207) 942-4644 / (207) 356-7981 Barbara.Cardone@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
30	**Carney**	Anne	D	21 Angell Point Road Cape Elizabeth	04107	(207) 767-7404 Anne.Carney@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
68	**Cebra**	Richard	R	15 Steamboat Landing Road Naples	04055	(207) 693-6782 Rich.Cebra@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
60	**Cloutier**	Kristen	D	33 Charles Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 807-1637 Kristen.Cloutier@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
42	**Collings**	Benjamin	D	P. O. Box 1213 Portland	04104	(207) 835-6001 / (207) 766-1322 Benjamin.Collings@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
47	**Cooper**	Janice	D	53 West Elm Street Yarmouth	04096	(207) 847-3193 / (207) 233-9811 Janice.Cooper@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
25	**Corey**	Patrick	R	353 River Road Windham	04062	(207) 892-6164 / (207) 749-1336 Patrick.Corey@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
100	**Costain**	Danny	R	292 Ridge Road Plymouth	04969	(207) 852-1932 Danny.Costain@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
59	**Craven**	Margaret	D	41 Russell Street Lewiston	04240	(207) 783-1897 Margaret.Craven@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
43	**Crockett**	Edward	D	128 Bramblewood Drive Portland	04103	(207) 797-8371 Ed.Crockett@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	X	A	A
98	**Cuddy**	Scott	D	47 Elm Street Winterport	04496	(207) 944-1662 Scott.Cuddy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
111	**Curtis**	Philip	R	93 Blackwell Hill Road Madison	04950	(207) 696-3052 Philip.Curtis@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
49	**Daughtry**	Matthea	D	40 Federal Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 522-0913 / (207) 370-9871 Mattie.Daughtry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
9	**Denk**	Diane	D	32 River's Edge Drive Kennebunk	04043	(207) 604-0838 Diane.Denk@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
45	**Denno (d)**	Dale	D	275 Main Street Cumberland	04021	(207) 829-6183 / (207) 400-1123 Dale.Denno@legislature.maine.gov	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)
149	**DeVeau**	John	R	PO Box 431 Caribou	04736	(207) 999-6281 John.DeVeau@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	A	✓	A
90	**Devin**	Michael	D	1 Hillcrest Road Newcastle	04553	(207) 563-8350 / (207) 975-3132 Michael.Devin@legislature.maine.gov	E	E	E	E	E
72	**Dillingham**	Kathleen	R	P. O. Box 164 Oxford	04270	(207) 744-2153 Kathleen.Dillingham@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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97	**Dodge**	Janice	D	17 Vine Street Belfast	04915	(207) 338-1626 Jan.Dodge@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
115	**Dolloff**	Josanne	R	604 Prospect Avenue Rumford	04276	(207) 357-3346 Josanne.Dolloff@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
85	**Doore**	Donna	D	49 Pleasant Hill Road Augusta	04330	(207) 592-6849 Donna.Doore@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	A	X	A
94	**Doudera**	Victoria	D	18 Trim Street Camden	04843	(207) 542-1990 Victoria.Doudera@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
121	**Drinkwater**	Gary	R	38 Emerald Drive Milford	04461	(207) 356-8198 Gary.Drinkwater@legislature.maine.gov	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
122	**Dunphy**	Michelle	D	143 Middle Street Old Town	04468	(207) 827-8989 / (207) 745-3088 Michelle.Dunphy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
91	**Evangelos**	Jeffrey	I	465 Waldoboro Road Friendship	04547	(207) 832-7378 Jeffrey.Evangelos@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
37	**Farnsworth**	Richard	D	55 Old Mast Road Portland	04102	(207) 874-6399 / (207) 233-3814 Richard.Farnsworth@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
136	**Faulkingham**	Billy Bob	R	P.O. Box 121 Winter Harbor	04693	(207) 460-6967 William.Faulkingham@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
66	**Fay**	Jessica	D	141 Spiller Hill Road Raymond	04071	(207) 655-5020 / (207) 415-4218 Jessica.Fay@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
86	**Fecteau**	Justin	R	7 Davis Street Augusta	04330	(207) 248-7183 Justin.Fecteau@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	A	✓	✓
11	**Fecteau**	Ryan	D	P.O Box 2244 Biddeford	04005	(207) 287-1430 / (207) 289-4478 Ryan.Fecteau@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
12	**Foley**	Victoria	D	168 Hill Street Biddeford	04005	(207) 409-5115 Victoria.Foley@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
104	**Foster**	Steven	R	56 Silvers Mills Road Dexter	04930	(207) 924-7523 Steven.Foster@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	**Gattine**	Drew	D	529 Stroudwater Street Westbrook	04092	(207) 409-3477 Andrew.Gattine@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
48	**Gideon**	Sara	D	37 South Freeport Road Freeport	04032	(207) 287-1300 Sara.Gideon@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
13	**Gramlich**	Lori	D	154 Temple Avenue Old Orchard Beach	04064	(207) 232-1067 Lori.Gramlich@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
102	**Griffin**	Abigail	R	1 Raymond Nelson Lane Levant	04456	(207) 403-3671 Abigail.Griffin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
118	**Grignon**	Chad	R	181 Fox Hill Road Athens	04912	(207) 654-2124 / (207) 612-6499 Chad.Grignon@legislature.maine.gov	A	A	A	A	✓
132	**Grohoski**	Nicole	D	151 Bangor Road Ellsworth	04605	(207) 358-8333 Nicole.Grohoski@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
101	**Haggan**	David	R	11 Westbrook Terrace Hampden	04444	(207) 944-7471 David.Haggan@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
114	**Hall**	Randall	R	P.O. Box 42 Wilton	04227	(207) 860-8431 Randall.Hall@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
58	**Handy**	James	D	9 Maplewood Road Lewiston	04240	(207) 784-5595 Jim.Handy@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X

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142	**Hanington**	Sheldon	R	475 Enfield Road Lincoln	04457	(207) 794-4545 / (207) 403-3579 Sheldon.Hanington@legislature.maine.gov	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
87	**Hanley**	Jeffery	R	52 Turner Drive Pittston	04345	(207) 582-1524 / (207) 458-9009 Jeff.Hanley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
77	**Harnett**	Thom	D	52 Marston Road Gardiner	04345	(207) 582-0905 / (207) 522-1254 Thomas.Harnett@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	X	X	X
19	**Harrington**	Matthew	R	P. O. Box 457 Sanford	04073	(207) 831-6746 Matthew.Harrington@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
117	**Head**	Frances	R	P. O. Box 61 Bethel	04286	(207) 824-2114 / (207) 650-1351 Frances.Head@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
53	**Hepler**	Allison	D	417 Montsweag Road Woolwich	04579	(207) 442-0754 / (207) 319-4396 Allison.Hepler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
81	**Hickman**	Craig	D	192 Annabessacook Road Winthrop	04364	(207) 377-3276 Craig.Hickman@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	✓	A
120	**Higgins**	Norman	I	P. O. Box 594 Dover-Foxcroft	04426	(207) 564-8214 / (207) 343-1068 Norman.Higgins@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
7	**Hobbs**	Daniel	D	PO Box 2000 Wells	04090	(207) 360-0000 Daniel.Hobbs@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
135	**Hubbell**	Brian	D	66 Park Street Bar Harbor	04609	(207) 288-3947 Brian.Hubbell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
131	**Hutchins**	Sherman	R	49 Bayview Road Penobscot	04476	(207) 326-8545 / (207) 479-8545 Sherman.Hutchins@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	**Hymanson**	Patricia	D	34 High Pine Road York	03909	(207) 363-8353 Patricia.Hymanson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
10	**Ingwersen**	Henry	D	46 Ginger Hill Lane Arundel	04046	(207) 251-6278 Henry.Ingwersen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
141	**Javner**	Kathy	R	131 Pea Ridge Road Chester	04457	(207) 290-1321 Kathy.Javner@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
145	**Johansen**	Chris	R	462 Fletcher Road Monticello	04760	(207) 456-6208 / (207) 538-2562 Chris.Johansen@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	**Jorgensen**	Erik	D	83 Highland Street Portland	04103	(207) 939-7120 Erik.Jorgensen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X
76	**Keschl**	Dennis	R	1024 Wings Mills Road Belgrade	04917	(207) 495-2973 / (207) 441-3701 Dennis.Keschl@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	X	✓
32	**Kessler**	Christopher	D	39 Stanley Street South Portland	04106	(207) 956-0882 Christopher.Kessler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
99	**Kinney**	MaryAnne	R	40 Maple Lane Knox	04986	(207) 568-7577 MaryAnne.Kinney@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
125	**Kornfield**	Victoria	D	48 Madison Street Bangor	04401	(207) 947-7224 Victoria.Kornfield@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
20	**Kryzak**	Theodore	R	P.O. Box 291 Acton	03858	(207) 608-5724 Theodore.Kryzak@legislature.maine.gov	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
113	**Landry**	Scott	D	137 Shepherds Lane Farmington	04938	(207) 491-9041 Scott.Landry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
137	**Lockman**	Lawrence	R	P. O. Box 623 Amherst	04412	(207) 460-6518 Lawrence.Lockman@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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129	**Lyford**	Peter	R	197 Jarvis Gore Drive Eddington	04428	(207) 843-7759 / (207) 848-3335 Peter.Lyford@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	**Madigan**	Colleen	D	13 Gilman Street Waterville	04901	(207) 692-7143 Colleen.Madigan@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
16	**Marean**	Donald	R	233 Bonny Eagle Road Hollis	04042	(207) 727-5527 / (207) 653-8927 Donald.Marean@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
151	**Martin**	John	D	P. O. Box 250 Eagle Lake	04739	(207) 444-5556 / (207) 834-7568 John.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	A	✓	X
150	**Martin**	Danny	D	P. O. Box 97 Sinclair	04779	(207) 231-1358 Danny.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	✓	A
57	**Martin**	Thomas	R	25 Lake Shore Drive Greene	04236	(207) 375-3342 / (207) 692-6837 Thomas.Martin@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	A	✓
56	**Mason**	Richard	R	312 Ridge Road Lisbon	04252	(207) 353-9086 Richard.Mason@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	**Mastraccio**	Anne-Marie	D	23 Lebanon Street Sanford	04073	(207) 324-8692 / (207) 432-1453 Anne-Marie.Mastraccio@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
92	**Matlack**	Ann	D	130 Scraggle Point Road St. George	04859	(207) 594-4831 Ann.Matlack@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
88	**Maxmin**	Chloe	D	PO Box 203 Nobleboro	04555	(207) 200-6224 Chloe.Maxmin@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X
148	**McCrea**	David	D	P. O. Box 513 Fort Fairfield	04742	(207) 472-4212 / (207) 227-4903 David.McCrea@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X
51	**McCreight**	Joyce	D	155 Gun Point Road Harpswell	04079	(207) 449-3293 Jay.McCreight@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
134	**McDonald**	Genevieve	D	129 North Main Street Stonington	04681	(207) 266-5113 Genevieve.McDonald@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
27	**McLean**	Andrew	D	114 Johnson Road Gorham	04038	(207) 939-8482 / (207) 939-8482 Andrew.McLean@legislature.maine.gov	X	A	X	X	X
62	**Melaragno**	Gina	D	25 James Street, Apt. 3 Auburn	04210	(207) 740-8860 Gina.Melaragno@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
2	**Meyer**	Michele	D	58 Odiorne Lane Eliot	03903	(207) 438-9197 Michele.Meyer@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
71	**Millett**	Sawin	R	37 Golden Guernsey Drive Waterford	04088	(207) 583-4842 / (207) 592-5398 Sawin.Millett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	**Moonen**	Matthew	D	53 Thomas St., #3 Portland	04102	(207) 287-1430 / (207) 332-7823 Matt.Moonen@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
33	**Morales**	Victoria	D	98 Thirlmere Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 216-0643 Victoria.Morales@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
75	**Morris**	Joshua	R	P.O. Box 246 North Turner	04266	(207) 754-7829 Joshua.Morris@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
78	**Nadeau**	Catherine	D	23 Patterson Avenue Winslow	04901	(207) 873-2025 / (207) 557-1587 Catherine.Nadeau@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
5	**O'Connor**	Beth	R	66 Pine Hill Berwick	03901	(207) 289-9047 Beth.OConnor@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15	**O'Neil**	Margaret	D	21 Sheila Circle Saco	04072	(207) 283-0163 / (207) 590-1679 Margaret.ONeil@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X

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23	**Ordway**	Lester	R	P. O. Box 212 Standish	04084	(207) 642-3491 / (207) 671-3956 Lester.Ordway@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	**Paulhus**	Sean	D	677 Middle Street Bath	04530	(207) 751-7760 sean.paulhus@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
133	**Pebworth**	Sarah	D	PO Box 347 Blue Hill	04614	(207) 479-4741 Sarah.Pebworth@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
35	**Peoples**	Ann	D	300 E. Bridge St. Apt 322 Westbrook	04092	(207) 856-7264 Ann.Peoples@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	A	X	X
77	**Perkins**	Michael	R	93 Willey Point Oakland	04963	(207) 465-4835 / (207) 716-6968 Michael.Perkins@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
140	**Perry**	Anne	D	474 South Street Calais	04619	(207) 454-7338 / (207) 214-7000 Anne.Perry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
124	**Perry, Sr.**	Joseph	D	349 Fern St. Bangor	04401	(207) 942-5585 / (207) 659-5295 joseph.perry@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	A	✓	X
116	**Pickett**	Richard	R	21 Church Street Dixfield	04227	(207) 645-4893 / (207) 500-9312 Richard.Pickett@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	**Pierce**	Teresa	D	6 Waites Landing Road Falmouth	04105	(207) 781-7144 Teresa.Pierce@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
95	**Pluecker**	William	I	1133 Finntown Road Warren	04864	(207) 273-3044 Bill.Pluecker@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
17	**Prescott**	Dwayne	R	P. O. Box 77 North Waterboro	04061	(207) 710-1614 Dwayne.Prescott@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	**Reckitt**	Lois	D	38 Myrtle Avenue South Portland	04106	(207) 712-2474 Lois.Reckitt@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
103	**Reed**	Roger	R	278 Murray Road Carmel	04419	(207) 848-5136 / (207) 852-0595 Roger.Reed@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
74	**Riley**	Christina	D	437 Main Street Jay	04239	(207) 897-2288 Tina.Riley@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
69	**Riseman**	Walter	I	P.O. Box 543 Harrison	04040	(207) 890-7866 Walter.Riseman@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	X	X	X
6	**Roberts-Lovell**	Tiffany	D	35 Buttonwood Road South Berwick	03908	(207) 210-3287 Tiffany.Roberts-Lovell@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
108	**Rudnicki**	Shelley	R	211 Norridgewock Road Fairfield	04937	(207) 314-6898 Shelley.Rudnicki@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	**Rykerson**	Deane	D	1 Salt Marsh Lane Kittery	03905	(207) 439-8755 Dean.Rykerson@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
21	**Sampson**	Heidi	R	465 Kennebunk Road Alfred	04002	(207) 590-1909 Heidi.Sampson@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
126	**Schneck**	John	D	2078 Ohio Street Bangor	04401	(207) 942-7886 John.Schneck@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
46	**Sharpe**	Braden	D	34 Harlie Woods Road Durham	04222	(207) 407-3045 Braden.Sharpe@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
64	**Sheats**	Bettyann	D	32 Waterview Drive Auburn	04210	(207) 740-2613 Bettyann.Sheats@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
112	**Skolfield**	Thomas	R	349 Phillips Road Weld	04285	(207) 585-2638 / (207) 615-9800 Thomas.Skolfield@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	✓	✓	X

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143	**Stanley**	Stephen	D	614 Pattagumpus Road Medway	04460	(207) 746-5371 Stephen.Stanley@legislature.maine.gov	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
119	**Stearns**	Paul	R	33 Applebee Hill Road Guilford	04443	(207) 876-3242 / (207) 343-2615 Paul.Stearns@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
105	**Stetkis**	Joel	R	P. O. Box 336 Canaan	04924	(207) 399-7801 Joel.Stetkis@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
147	**Stewart**	Harold (Trey)	R	312 State St. Presque Isle	04769	(207) 287-1440 / (207) 227-0569 Trey.Stewart@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
89	**Stover**	Holly	D	71 Dover Road Boothbay	04537	(207) 633-5979 Holly.Stover@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	A
106	**Strom**	Scott	R	176 Summer Ct. Pittsfield	04967	(207) 313-3895 Scott.Strom@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
144	**Swallow**	Gregory	R	PO Box 742 Houlton	04730	(207) 521-7416 Gregory.Swallow@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
39	**Sylvester**	Michael	D	159 Central Avenue Portland	04108	(207) 766-5758 / (207) 239-1488 Michael.Sylvester@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	A
40	**Talbot Ross**	Rachel	D	39 Washburn Avenue Portland	04101	(207) 747-5461 Rachel.TalbotRoss@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	✓	X
54	**Tepler**	Denise	D	13 Homeplace Topsham	04086	(207) 729-4018 Denise.Tepler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
26	**Terry**	Maureen	D	9 Lombard Street Gorham	04038	Maureen.Terry@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
79	**Theriault**	Timothy	R	1210 Lakeview Drive China	04358	(207) 968-2641 Tim.Theriault@legislature.maine.gov	A	✓	A	✓	A
123	**Tipping**	Ryan	D	279 Main Street Orono	04473	(207) 866-4333 Ryan.Tipping@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
50	**Tucker**	Ralph	D	15 McKeen Street Brunswick	04011	(207) 725-7639 Ralph.Tucker@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
139	**Tuell**	William	R	431 Hadley Lake Road East Machias	04630	(207) 255-8056 / (207) 271-8521 Will.Tuell@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
128	**Verow**	Arthur	D	20 Greenwood Dr. Brewer	04412	(207) 989-7032 / (207) 852-0783 Arthur.Verow@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	✓	✓	A
70	**Wadsworth**	Nathan	R	29 Rock Crop Way Hiram	04041	(207) 838-7451 Nathan.Wadsworth@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	**Warren**	Charlotte	D	19 Oakwood Drive Hallowell	04347	(207) 441-9116 Charlotte.Warren@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X
109	**White**	Bruce	D	1 Silvermount Street Waterville	04901	(207) 660-8722 Bruce.White@legislature.maine.gov	A	X	✓	✓	✓
146	**White**	Dustin	R	P. O. Box 1654 Washburn	04769	(207) 227-8756 Dustin.White@legislature.maine.gov	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
96	**Zeigler**	Stanley	D	60 Freedom Pond Rd. Montville	04941	(207) 322-1414 Stanleypaige.Zeigler@legislature.maine.gov	X	X	X	X	X

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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 748: An Act To Remove Coverage Under The MaineCare Program For Abortions Not Covered by Medicaid
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There are 33 states and the District of Columbia that follow the federal standard, providing abortion funding in cases of life endangerment, rape, or incest. Maine is one of only seven states that voluntarily directs Medicaid to pay for all or most medically necessary abortions. According to Maine CDC, abortion takes the lives of 5.3 children/day in our state. Meanwhile, research shows 58% of Americans oppose the taxpayer funding of abortion. And, our beautiful state is dying. Maine is one of four states, where more people die/year than are being born. Maine's death rate rose 4.5% in 2020. Maine ranks 6th in the country in drug overdose deaths (2019). Maine is the oldest state in the nation, with a median age of 45.1. This is not: Maine – the way LIFE should be. Maine is promoting a culture of death. Our policy matters.

The Hyde amendment has saved 2.5 million lives. It has reduced the number of abortions. When government doesn't promote abortion, people choose life. The tide has turned on the public's view of abortion. Today, former abortion leaders, have seen the light: abortion is the taking of a human life. Taxpayers oppose paying for abortion. It is not "reproductive healthcare" – it is a "choice" to end a precious, speechless, innocent life. Abortion takes an emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual toll on people. It's time for Maine to live up to its beautiful slogan and promote a culture of life. We all will be better for it. Life is good. Let's promote it, not abort it at taxpayer expense.

I urge the committee to vote ought to pass. Thank you.

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PRO-WOMEN

Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Last year, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Most recently, a 22-year old Pennsylvania transgender swimmer took America's top trophy in university sports dashing the hopes of every other woman in the competition. Those who dare speak up against this are verbally assaulted.

What has gotten confused in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

Among the arguments Pro-ERA advocates use to shame people into supporting ERA ratification is the argument of pay and job opportunity inequity.

Of all the states in the country, Maine has one of the smallest wage gaps. Maine law requires pay equity, and if an employee in Maine questions a pay equity situation to the Maine Department of Labor, by law, the Department of Labor will do an investigation. Also – in 2019 a law was passed banning employers from asking about wages in job interviews.

When addressing the wage gap, it is important to consider the professions women choose, the number of hours they work, and the jobs that families choose to ensure that they have the right balance in their lives to care for children and earn for the household. Women often choose less demanding jobs. It is a choice that families make and it has nothing to do with employers or laws.

Women are thriving in Maine! In terms of total job opportunity in Maine, the share of jobs is split evenly between male and female. The rate of women who choose to be in the workforce is growing. When it comes to managerial and professional occupations, 43% of these jobs are held by women. 30.1% of Maine businesses are owned by women. There isn't inequity in opportunity and pay for women in Maine.

ERA diminishes and devalues the role of motherhood. Maine, of all states, should be encouraging motherhood!

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 1229: An Act To Require Certain Medical Providers To Administer Ultrasounds and Provide Information to Certain Pregnant Patients
May 18, 2021

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We are living in an information and technology age, where seeing is believing. We've heard it said: A picture is worth 1,000 words. I guess it depends upon which picture you are looking at. When it comes to you: The slightest thing wrong with your body, an abundance of technology will aid in telling what's wrong so that action can be taken to save your life. Yes – your life matters, and this technology can save your life. It's a good thing.

We are also living in a save the earth, protect the planet age, where saving endangered species are noble efforts, be it the protection of plants and animals. This is good too.

Why then, is the desire to save and protect an unborn human life from death and harm, something to be cast aside and not even carefully looked at, okay? It shouldn't be. Every life matters. This testimony IS to protect the precious, innocent, and speechless unborn human life. To give that life inside a careful look. To give that life a chance to be seen in a new light – full of potential - of life giving hope and love.

As a state, we have a choice: We can promote and advance a culture of death, or we can advance and promote a culture of life. What's good for one, must also be good for another. It's time to stop the disconnect. Maine is an old and dying state – with the highest median age, we are one of four states that has more deaths/year, than births. It's time to take a careful look. Abortion is the taking of a human life – period. LD 1229 would give women the information to make an informed life changing choice. For the love of Maine: The way LIFE should be, let's give every human being a fair chance to come alive and live in Maine. Our future depends on this! Thank you.

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Please Join Us!

Life Chain

Sunday, October 3, 2021

Join Pro-Life Maine, along with thousands of pro-lifers from across the nation on **Sunday, October 3rd** to form a human Life Chain in which we literally stand up for unborn babies who have been aborted, and those in danger of being aborted.

Help us end abortion in a highly visible, peaceful manner in your community. Stand in Solidarity and Loving Support for the unborn.

We will be joining our brothers and sisters from sea to shining sea as a peaceful witness to end abortion in our nation. Life Chains are now a pro-life tradition here in Maine and across the U.S.A. PLEASE join us again this year. If you are new to the movement, we welcome you to stand up for LIFE. It only takes one hour of your time, and the effects can save a baby from abortion, and a mother or father from making a lethal choice that will last them a lifetime.

Maine will be hosting Life Chains in the following areas on Sunday, October 3. PLEASE JOIN US!

Sunday, OCT. 3rd :

~Lewiston/Auburn: 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Gather @ 2:00 pm in front of the Auburn Post Office at Great Falls Plaza. We will line the sidewalks along both sides of the Longley Bridge in Lewiston-Auburn. Children under close supervision are welcome and chairs may be brought for the elderly or handicapped. Signs will be provided. Contact Ron Charpentier 402-2315 for more info.

~Wiscasset: 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Rt. One in front of Wiscasset Town Hall. Parking is available in the town office parking lot. Signs will be provided. For more info. contact Mary Rose Pray at 207-380-4660 or at eng.pray@yahoo.com

~Fort Kent: 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Gathering 15 minutes early on East Main St. in the parking lot located across from St. Louis Church. Following this event, a short prayer service will take place in the parking lot in front of the Monument to the Unborn. Contact Joel Martin @ 834-2140 for more info. (Rain date is Oct. 10th)

~Madawaska 1:00 – 2:00 PM

Main St. at Saint Thomas St. Contact Don and Irene Blanchette 728-6092.

~Ellsworth: 2:30-3:30 PM

Gather at High St. and Main St. Chairs will be available. For more information, please call Linda Hardy at 422-3452.

~Columbia 2:00-3:00 PM

U.S. Route 1 at Station Road, 2-3 pm—Contact Cathy Fonda 483-4655

~Lincoln 2:00-3:00 PM

Maine St. @ Veteran mall—Contact Kris MacEachern 794-6766

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

Testimony in support
LD 1225: An Act To Provide Dignity For Fetal Remains By Requiring Their Interment or Cremation
May 18, 2021

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While Maine law ensures the dignified disposal of most human remains, current law does not fully protect fetal remains when the baby's death occurs in the earlier weeks and months of pregnancy due to stillbirth, miscarriage, or abortion.

Today, before leaving the hospital after a miscarriage, a mother is not always advised of her right to her baby's remains, which are often whisked away to laboratory, to be later combined with medical waste

This bill addresses the dignity and respect of human life, requiring a proper burial. It also requires that women who suffer fetal loss be informed orally and in writing of her right to choose the final disposition and options of cremation and interment. It strikes at the heart of Personhood, defining the embryo/fetus as a human being, whose remains are worthy of cremation or interment, and ensures that fetal remains are not discarded as biomedical waste.

Maine Right To Life believes that every human life from conception to death deserves dignity, respect, and a proper burial. We humbly ask this committee to vote ought to pass. Thank you!

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BANGOR

First Step Pregnancy Resource Center
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Email: info@firststepbangor.com Web: www.firststepbangor.com

Godparent Home Ministries
Barbara Ford, Director
PO Box 616 Bangor, ME 04402 Phone/Crisis line: 949-CARE (2273)
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BIDDEFORD

St. Andre Home
Sister Terry Gauvin, Executive Director
168 Prospect St. Biddeford, ME 04005
For info. about the *Center for Parenting and Play or Hope Rising (a residential treatment program for survivors* of human trafficking), contact: Anna Casey (207) 282-3351 Email: acasey@saintandrehome.org

BRUNSWICK

Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine
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DOVER, NH

Options (Pregnancy, Sexual, and Family Resource Center)
Michael Younus, Executive Director
65 Main St., Dover, NH 03820-3423 Phone/Text: 603-749-4441
Email: via online website form Web: www.optionsforwomen.org

FORT KENT

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Fort Kent)
Lisa Chouinard, Center Director
272 West Main St. Fort Kent, ME 04743 Phone: 207-834-5800 or 1-(800)-300-0220 Web: www.pcc-hope.org

FRYEBURG

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HOULTON

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Houlton Center)
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Hope House's Family Support Center / Women's Free Health Clinic
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PORTLAND

ABBA—A Women's Resource Center
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Catholic Charities Maine—Birthline
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WATERVILLE

First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center
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CANDIA, NH

Bethany Christian Services: Pregnancy Support and Adoption Services
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Email: via online form Web: www.bethany.org/candia

GRAY, ME

Adoption Partners of Maine
PO Box 617 Gray, ME 04039 Phone: 1-888-635-6935 24/7 Hotline: 1-844-300-LOVE (5683)
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WATERVILLE, ME

The Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers
93 Silver St. Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: (207) 873-4253
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YARMOUTH, ME

Adoption Solutions of Maine
253 Main St. Yarmouth, ME 04096 Phone/Text: (207) 400-6803
Email: via online form Web: www.AdoptionSolutionsofME.org

HOSPICE SERVICES

AUBURN, ME (and other locations)

Beacon Hospice Care (an Amedisys Company)
245 Center St. Ste.10A Auburn, ME 04210 Phone: (207) 784-4242
Web: https://locations.amedisys.com/me/auburn/beacon-hospice-care.html

SCARBOROUGH, ME

Hospice of Southern Maine
390 US Route One, Scarborough, ME 04074 Phone: (207) 289-3640 Toll free: 1-866-621-7600
Email: info@hospiceofsouthernmaine.org Web: www.hospiceofsouthernmaine.org

WATERVILLE, ME

Maine General Home Care and Hospice
Hathaway Creative Center 10 Water St., Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: 1-877-561-7299
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LEWISTON, ME

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US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

PRO-ACTIVE

History of women's activism.

July 13, 1848 marks the very beginning of the women's movement. On this day, housewife and mother, Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1920) gathered four women, including Lucretia Mott (1793-1889) for tea. Discontented over the limitations of women in America, Stanton was the only non-Quaker in the group. The women took action! Five days later a convention was held at the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls, NY. Other than a small advertisement in the local newspaper, the event was barely publicized.

Stanton drafted The Declaration of Sentiments. Modeled after the Declaration of Independence, the Declaration of Sentiments stated "all men and women are created equal". The convention at Seneca Falls was held to discuss social, civil and religious rights of women; their grievances and demands, and a call to constitutionally guarantee women's rights to equality as US citizens, which included the right to vote. This began the Suffrage movement. The declaration was signed by 68 women and 32 men and formalized the start of the Women's Rights Movement in the US.

Friends Susan B. Anthony (left) and Elizabeth Cady Stanton (right).

Stanton met Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) in 1851. Anthony had seven brothers and sisters, and at a very young age, was inspired by the Quaker belief that everyone was equal under God. This belief was the foundation of her life's work. She became an activist, uninhibited by social rules that women shouldn't speak publicly, she passionately delivered speeches against slavery. Stanton and Anthony became friends, and spent the next 50 years fighting for women's rights. Together, they co-founded the American Equal Rights Association, and in 1868, published *The Revolution* –a publication that promoted equality and rights for women.

Education and political rights were considered privileges of the upper class, but the voices of the movement also included non-white ordinary women. Sojorner Truth, (1797 – 1883) a former slave, became the voice that bridged the ordinary with the elite. Though she couldn't read or write, she became a charismatic speaker against the evils of slavery. When she met Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B Anthony, she joined the women's movement delivering her famous speech: "Ain't I a Woman" where she challenged racial and gender inferiority and inequality. Temperance, abolition of slavery, and women's rights were the social issues of the time. Many courageous women became activists, taking to the lecture circuit in the 1860's and 1870's. They held popular and effective rallies. Some women activists had more than 200 speaking engagements a year. While they were focusing on suffrage, they were pushing for equal rights of women, overall. In 1866, the American Equal Rights Association (AERA) was founded to "secure Equal Rights to all American citizens, especially the right of suffrage, irrespective of race, color, or sex". Lucretia Mott was AERA's president.

There wasn't always agreement, and a schism occurred over ratification of the 15th amendment. Anthony and Stanton were against it because, in giving black men the right to vote, they believed the women's right to vote should be included. They believed the two issues belonged together, and should be fought at the federal level. They formed the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA). Opponents believed the immediate expansion of citizenship rights to former slaves would be jeopardized by including voting rights to women; they believed woman's suffrage should best be achieved through amendments to individual state constitutions. They formed the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA). The first voting right victory came in 1869 when the Wyoming territory granted women the right to vote. Both women's organization celebrated the victory. Then, in 1878, the NWSA successfully lobbied the US Congress for a constitutional amendment. Though Congress formed committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate to study and debate

the issue, when the proposal reached the senate floor in 1886, it was defeated. By 1890, the two organizations merged, forming the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA). Their strategy was to lobby for voting rights state-by-state.

By the turn of the 20th century, four states passed voting rights to women, and women's suffrage was gaining momentum. Despite the deaths of Stanton (1902) and Anthony (1806), young energy entered the movement. Stanton's daughter, Harriot Stanton Blatch (1856-1940) raised awareness with parades, pickets, and marches. Alice Paul (1885-1977) brought discipline, strategy with a militaristic style.

Unfettered, she organized marches, White House protests, and rallies. She founded the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage (which later became the National Woman's Party); arrested several times and imprisoned at least three times, she was the key leader securing the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920. The 19th amendment reads: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States." This put an end to a nearly century long fight to prohibit sex discrimination in the right to vote.

Once securing the right to vote, Paul and members of the National Woman's Party decided to seek constitutional guarantees of equality by way of the Equal Rights Amendment, written by Paul and Crystal Eastman (1881-1928), and delivered to Congress in 1923. It read: "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. In 1943, the wording was changed to the version that exists today. It reads: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Like the disagreement on suffrage; a bitter split emerged with ERA when some of Paul's allies in suffrage, found ERA troubling. The challenge was to ensure that equal rights match women's needs. At conflict, was the goal to allow women to have the same opportunities as men, while, at the same time, enabling women to be freely distinct and different from men without adverse consequences. This challenge remains today, and is why, though ERA passed Congress in 1972, the ERA has never been ratified. A new wave of feminism was taking shape in the 1960's. Though woman had the right to vote, could hold public office, and have equal employment opportunities, the obvious differences between men and women were over-looked. The importance of protecting women and family, including 24 hour childcare for working families, were cast aside for a new order. The birth control pill was approved by the FDA, over-population and fear of famine, and the sexual revolution took the eye off family, with a new focus on the individual, and a belief that government would come up with all of the solutions.

A new emerging leader, Smith College graduate, Betty Friedan (1921-2006), conducted a survey among fellow college graduates for her 15 year reunion and concluded women were unhappy with their lives as housewives. In 1964, she published The Feminine Mystique, which became a best seller. Friedan uncovered "the problem with no name". Though women were married with children and living in comfort, women were unhappy. Magazines, educators, and advertisers narrowly promoted the domestic sphere which was a stark contrast to the 1930's when magazines featured confident, independent career women. According to her survey, women felt they had lost their identity.

Friedan's book propelled the re-thinking of femininity and sparked the sexual revolution, spinning the women's movement in several different directions. The National Organization for Women (NOW) was organized, in 1966, and Friedan drafted the founding statement, emphasizing a women's need for identity and autonomy - women as human beings must be given a chance to develop to their full potential. At the 1967 NOW conference at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC. A clash of the liberation movement with the radical feminist movement came to a head when Betty Friedan shocked

members by pressing a vote for a full repeal of all abortion laws. By the end of the meeting, one-third of NOW's members quit.

In 1969,the narrative, focus, and language shifted within the Women's Rights Movement– not by women, but by two men, who co-founded, NARAL (National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Law), with the support and advocacy of Betty Friedan. Lawrence Lader, a journalist and Dr. Bernard Nathanson (1926-2006), were clever.

Dr. Bernard Nathanson

The narrative had changed, and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion changed and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion and contraception was advancing women's reproductive healthcare. The women's movement was hijacked. Lader is credited as being the founding father of the abortion movement and heavily influenced the Roe V. Wade decision in 1973. Today, Abortion defines the women's movement. This is not what the pioneers of the women's movement had in mind.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote: **"When we consider that women are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit."**

Victoria Woodhull, the first women candidate for president wrote: **"Every woman knows that if she were free, she would never bear an unwished for child, nor think of murdering one before its birth."**

The first women to receive a medical degree in the US, Elizabeth Blackwell wrote: **"The gross perversion and destruction of motherhood by the abortionist filled me with indignation, and awakened active antagonism."**

Susan B Anthony's, *The Revolution, published a piece that said abortion was a choice that would burden both a woman's "Conscience in life and soul in death"; which ultimately is an exploitation of women.*

At Maine Right to Life, we follow our early leaders with a shared belief that the rights of mother and child are inherently linked. By getting to know our early leaders, we admire their courage, are inspired by their persistence, and we feel called to carry the torch to protect the authentic lives of women and children.

MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

Why So-Called Safeguards Don't Work: Physician Assisted Suicide

Background:
Looking at both legal analysis of doctor prescribed suicide laws and the experience in Oregon and Washington, there is evidence that any so-called safeguards that might come attached to the proposals do not work.

So Called Safeguard: **"The patient must be competent"**
Why this does not work:

There is nothing in the law to protect those with mental illness:

- It is a well-established psychological fact that nearly every terminally ill patient who desires death is suffering from a treatable mental disorder .[1]
- There is no requirement that the patient be given a psychiatric evaluation. Over nearly a decade and a half, Oregon Department of Health statistics show that only 6.7% of patients were referred for an evaluation.[2]
- A major state paper, *The Oregonian*, has documented that many patients suffering from depression and dementia are receiving doctor prescribed suicide.[3]

There is no requirement for a witness at the time of death:

- It is unknown if the person is still competent at the time she or he actually ingests the lethal prescription.
- The range of time between the first request and death is 15 -1009 days (nearly 3 years).[4] A lot can happen in that time. Did the person's mental state deteriorate? Did caregivers tire of caring for a sick relative?

There is no requirement that the doctor has any knowledge of or relationship with the patient:

- "Doctor shopping" is common. A network of doctor prescribed death proponents ensures that patients will receive lethal prescriptions[5], even when their family doctor knows their desire for death is transient and could be alleviated.

So Called Safeguard: **"The patient must be terminally ill"**
Why this does not work:

- Terminal illness is often difficult to predict. Further, there is evidence that many non-terminally ill patients receive the lethal prescriptions. The Oregon Department of Health reports that the range of time between the first request and death has been as long as almost 3 years. [6]

- The definition of terminal illness includes a person with an incurable irreversible disease that will...produce death within six months". Looking at one example under this definition, insulin reliant diabetics who stop taking their medication could qualify, even though they could live decades with treatment.

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So Called Safeguard: **"The request must be voluntary"**

Why this does not work:

- There is no language in the law prohibiting anyone from pressuring the patient to accede to doctor prescribed suicide. The Oregon Health Plan notified state health insurance recipients Barbara Wagner and Randy Stroup that the treatment they needed to survive would not be covered, but informed them that doctor prescribed death was available and would be covered.[7]
- There is insufficient protection from the improper motives of family or friends who apply pressure. In new proposals, an heir can actually serve as a witness for the request for doctor prescribed death.[8]
- In Oregon, studies and official reports show that people are regularly requesting doctor prescribed suicide because they fear becoming a burden on family and friends.[9,10]
- Although the law states doctors must give patients "feasible alternatives" to assisted suicide – like pain control, and hospice, there is no requirement these are covered under insurance.

So Called Safeguard: **"The patient must self-administer"**, so it is not euthanasia

Why this does not work:

- Although the statute claims to allow only those who can "self-administer" to request the lethal prescription, many legal observers argue that this is one court challenge away from being overruled. If, for example, there was a person with disabilities who could not swallow, there is an official legal opinion from the Oregon Attorney General's office stating that this is unconstitutionally discriminatory.[11] This means that lethal injection might be one legal challenge away. This could be the case in any state that legalized the practice of doctor prescribed death.

So Called Safeguard: **"The state can punish violations"**

Why this does not work:

- The doctor prescribing death is held only to a "good faith standard" which is far lower than the malpractice standard applied to other health providers.[12]
- There is no mechanism to ensure doctors report (they self-report) or comply.
- The underlying reported data in OR and WA is destroyed by the state yearly.[13]
- In OR and WA, the death certificates are falsified by statute, listing only the underlying illness as the cause of death, making the real number of suicides unknowable.[14]

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Corporations which directly fund Planned Parenthood

Corporate donors make a difference. Planned Parenthood receives $1.3 billion in yearly revenue, and of that, “over 25% comes from private donations, including corporate contributions,” according to 2ndVote. (Never mind the $553.7 million from the government.)

Here are the 37 companies that directly fund Planned Parenthood:

1. Adobe
2. American Express
3. Avon
4. Bank of America
5. Bath & Body Works
6. Ben & Jerry’s
7. Boeing
8. Clorox
9. Converse
10. Deutsche Bank
11. Dockers
12. Energizer
13. Expedia
14. ExxonMobil
15. Fannie Mae
16. Groupon
17. Intuit
18. Johnson & Johnson
19. La Senza
20. Levi Strauss
21. Liberty Mutual
22. Macy’s
23. March of Dimes
24. Microsoft
25. Morgan Stanley
26. Nike
27. Oracle
28. PepsiCo
29. Pfizer
30. Progressive Insurance
31. Starbucks
32. Susan G. Komen
33. Tostitos
34. Unilever
35. United Way
36. Verizon
37. Wells Fargo

Since last summer, two companies are no longer listed: American Cancer Society and AT&T. Boeing was added to the list. *Source: LifeNews.com 10/11/2016*

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SAFETY & EFFICACY
Quick Facts about the Abortion Pill

Drug-induced abortions are painful and bloody.
These pills work by shutting down the child's life support system, initiating bleeding, and then stimulating powerful, painful contractions to expel the child and other contents from the uterus. Pain and bleeding are unavoidable parts of the process.[8]

Women lose more blood from a chemical than a surgical abortion.[9]

Chemical abortions take longer to complete than surgical ones.
Not counting recovery time, surgical abortions may take maybe 10 minutes to complete, so that a woman can be in and out of a clinic in a couple of hours.[10] Chemical abortions involve multiple drugs taken over a number of days and may take days or weeks to be fully completed.[11]

"Medication" abortions have a significant failure rate.
The FDA warns these drugs fail to deliver a complete abortion 2-7% of the time.[12]

The risk of failure and complications increases with gestational age.
The FDA originally limited use of mifepristone to women no more than 49 days after their last menstrual period (LMP) because of reduced efficacy and increased complications after that point.[13] Years of field experience have confirmed this.[14]

Women see their aborted children's bodies.
Identification of the embryo or fetus is one of the ways a woman is able to confirm the abortion pill has done its job, but it can also prove traumatic when women report seeing their child's eyes, fists, or other body parts.[15]

There have been at least 26 deaths and thousands of injuries among American miferpistone patients.
The FDA reports that more than two dozen mifepristone patients in the U.S. have died after taking mifepristone and that thousands of others have suffered from complications such as hemorrhages, infections, and the rupture of previously undiscovered ectopic pregnancies, many requiring hospitalization and surgery.[16]

The warning signs of ectopic pregnancy are disturbingly similar to chemical abortion side effects.
Because women having drug-induced abortions normally face considerable abdominal pain and bleeding, patients and even doctors who have not seen an ultrasound have missed these danger signs of a rupturing ectopic pregnancy.[17]

Several mifepristone users came down with serious bacterial infections.
A number of women taking mifepristone died after contracting *Clostridium sordellii*, an anaerobic bacteria that thrives in oxygen poor environments where there may be an open wound.[18]

Bleeding can lead to life-threatening hemorrhage.
Every woman going through a chemical abortion does a considerable amount of bleeding, but when this bleeding is heavy and does not stop, she can be in serious danger if she does not get surgical treatment.[19]

Additional Risks

for Home Use of Pills Prescribed by Telemedicine, Delivered by Mail

Inadequate Screening

While women visiting a clinic can have a physical examination and an ultrasound, health care providers doing only an online or telephone interview rely on a woman giving them accurate, honest answers to questions about her last menstrual period, symptoms of ectopic pregnancy, allergies or other disqualifying conditions. If a woman is unaware of these contraindications, mistakes spotting for her last menstrual period, or does not yet recognize signs of ectopic pregnancy, these important factors may be missed and the abortion pills either may not work or may prove dangerous for her.[1]

Testing for Rh Factor

Failure to identify and treat Rh factor could mean the loss of future pregnancies.[2]

Higher Failure, Complication Rates

Less careful, less scientific screening will mean more women past the FDA recommended cutoff date of ten weeks, and thus a greater the likelihood of complications or a failed or incomplete abortion.[3]

Less Assurance of Access to Emergency Care

Women doing screening by telemedicine and having pills shipped to remote locations may not necessarily have ready access to specialized surgical care from their prescriber or a nearby emergency care facility if they suffer sudden serious bleeding episodes or a ruptured ectopic pregnancy.[4]

Quality of Internet Medication

Women buying mifepristone and misoprostol from a foreign based internet pharmacy have no real assurance of product purity, dose, or efficacy and often receive little or no instructions on appropriate use.[5]

Sale to Dishonest, Deceptive Buyers

Online, telemedical, or telephonic screening and prescription allows those ordering to misrepresent their intentions or identities, potentially allowing these to be resold or given unknowingly to underage teens, unwilling or unscreened women with later pregnancies or conditions for whom these would not work or might prove dangerous.[6]

Difficulty knowing when you're done.

Without a professional exam, it is possible a women might bleed and cramp and think her abortion is completed, yet be mistaken.[7]

Detailed Notes & Citations

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6. If a healthcare provider does not directly examine a woman or ask for some sort of identification or documentation, he or she cannot be certain that the person they are talking to is actually pregnant or is even the intended patient. Even before the FDA authorized prescription of abortion pills by telemedicine, there were multiple occasions where someone ordered pills that they intended to use on others, e.g., Kevin Murphy, "Abortion-drug dealer pleads guilty, linked to Grand Rapids man accused of poisoning pregnant woman's drink," *Wisconsin Rapids Tribune* , March 5, 2020, https://www.wisconsinrapidstribune.com/story/news/2020/03/05/abortion-pill-dealer-ursula-wing-guilty-case-tied-grand-rapids-man/4966488002/; Shereen Siewert, "New York woman convicted of illegally selling abortion drugs in Wisconsin," *Wausau Pilot & Review* , July 12, 2020, https://wausaupilotandreview.com/2020/07/12/new-york-woman-convicted-of-illegally-selling-abortion-drugs-in-wisconsin/, accessed 8/7/20.

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Mifepristone Safety & Efficacy...

8. FDA Mifepristone Label (see note 1) on page 6 says

> Abdominal pain/cramping is expected in all medical abortion patients and its incidence is not reported in clinical studies. Treatment with MIFEPREX and misoprostol is designed to induce uterine bleeding and cramping to cause termination of an intrauterine pregnancy. Uterine bleeding and cramping are expected consequences of the action of MIFEPREX and misoprostol as used in the treatment procedure. Most women can expect bleeding more heavily than they do during a heavy menstrual period..

Daniel Grossman, *et al*, " in "Experiences with pain of early medical abortion: qualitative results from Nepal, South Africa, and Vietnam," *BMC Women's Health*, Vol, 19, No. 1 (October 15, 2019) notes on page 2 that "Pain is often cited by women as one of the worst aspects of the MA [medical abortion] experience."

9. *Ob.Gyn. News* (1989), No. 24, p. 1, noted that the average blood loss from mifepristone abortion was reported to be 70ml, nearly four times the blood loss from a standard vacuum curettage abortion.

10. Planned Parenthood, "In-Clinic Abortion," says "In-clinic abortions are also much faster than the abortion pill: most in-clinic abortions only take about 5-10 minutes, while a medication abortion may take up to 24 hours to complete" www.plannedparenthood.org/learn/abortion/in-clinic-abortion-procedures, accessed 1/22/22.

11. The FDA's "Medication Guide" for Mifepristone (part of the Mifepristone Label, note 1) (advises women that "medication abortion" is a two drug, multistep process where the prostaglandin misoprostol is only taken 24 to 48 hours after the first drug mifepristone. Though cramps and bleeding may ensue within 2-24 hours after taking the misoprostol, the FDA says on page 19 of the guide that "Bleeding or spotting can be expected for an average or 9 to 16 days and may last up to 30 days."

12. The FDA's "MedicationGuide" for Mifepristone (part of the Miifepristone Label, note 1) says on page 17 that "About 2 to 7 out of 100 women taking Mifeprex will need a surgical procedure because the pregnancy did not completely pass from the uterus or to stop bleeding."

13. "Table 4" of the FDA's 3/2016 Label for Mifepristone (see note 1) notes that efficacy diminishes each week after 49 days LMP.

14. Mary Gatter, Kelly Cleland, Deborah L. Nucatola, "Efficacy and safety of medical abortion using mifepristone and buccal misoprostol through 63 days," *Contraception,* Vol 91, No. 4 (April 2015). Note particularly Tables 2 and 4, p. 4. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4373977/pdf/nihms662931.pdf, accessed 1/22/22. See also Elizabeth G. Raymond, Beverly Winikoff, et al, "First trimester medical abortion with mifepristone 200mg and misosprostol: a systematic review," *Contraception*, Vol. 87, no.1 (January 2013), pp.26-37 showing "treatment failure" for 4.8%. Raymond, *et al*, notes that risk of failure higher among groups with higher percentage of patients with gestational ages of more than 8 weeks.

15. "Blood and Tears," *Newsweek*, 9/17/95. A 21-year old told Louise Levanthes, of *Health* (Jan/Feb 1995) "When I looked at it, it had two dark spots like eyes and a little skeleton not quite formed....I haven't talked about it to anyone. I feel quite empty." See also the Endowment for Human Development (EHD) website on fetal development at 8 weeks https://www.ehd.org//science_main.php?level=i#th9 accessed 1/26/22. EHD lists a number of features that would be present and visible in the child's eighth week (10 weeks LMP). At this stage of development, the child would be more than an inch tall from the crown of the head to his or her rump and would have a fully distinguishable head with a visible face, mouth, ears, nose, eyes as well as arms, hands, legs, and feet.

16. FDA, "Mifepristone U.S. Post-Marketing Adverse Events Summary though 6/30/2021," Reference ID: 4862568, available at https://www.fda.gov/media/154941/download, accessed 1/23/22. Though the FDA stopped soliciting information on complications and non-lethal events in March, 2016, the post-marketing report still records not only 26 deaths which include seven cases of death associated with*Clostridium sordelli* i, another with*Clostridium perfringens* , two cases of ruptured ectopic pregnancy, cases of hemorrhage, overdose, etc, but hundreds of non-lethal infections, blood loss requiring transfusions, and nearly a hundred cases of ectopic pregnancy. The FDA also notes a dozen deaths from other countries which involved bacterial sepsis, hemorrhage, heart attack, and other cases. Reported U.S.complication rates have been lower than those reported by European governments with nationalized medical systems and centralized health registrations which are thought to obtain more complete, accurate counts. A Finnish study from 2009 (M. Niimnimäki, et al, "Immediate complications after medical compared with surgical termination of pregnancy,*Obstetrics & Gynecology* , Vol 114, No. 4 (October 2009), pp 1281-89) showed that 20%of chemical abortion patients experienced adverse events (largely a result of a higher rate of hemorrhage of 15.6%).

17. The FDA's label for mifepristone (see note 1) notes at "5.4 Ectopic Pregnancy" that "Healthcare providers should remain alert to the possibility that a patient who is undergoing a medical abortion could have an undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy because some of the expected symptoms experienced with a medical abortion (abdominal pain, uterine bleeding) may be similar to those of a ruptured ectopic pregnancy. The presence of an ectopic pregnancy may have been missed even if the patient underwent ultrasonography prior to being prescribed MIFEPREX.

18. Marc Fischer, *et al*, "Fatal Toxic Shock Syndrome Associated with Clostridium sordellii after Medical Abortion," *New England Journal of Medicine* , Vol. 353, No. 22 (December 1, 2005), pp 2352-60, at p. 2358. Adam L. Cohen, et al, "Toxic Shock Associated With Clostridium sordellii and Clostridium perfringens After Medical and Spontaneous Abortion," *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, Vol. 110, No. 5 (November 2007), pp. 1027-33, at 1031. John Hopkins Medicine, "Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS)." Available at https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/conditions-and-diseases/toxic-shock-syndrome-tss, accessed 8/4/20. Beryl Manning-Geist, Bassam H. Rimawi, "Severe Infections in Obstetric and Gynecology: How Early Surgical Intervention Saves Lives," *Journal of Clinical Gynecology & Obstetrics,* Vol. 5, No.1 (March 2016), pp. 1-16, at 3-4. These infections are notoriously hard to recognize because they often present without fever, keeping them from being identified and treated right away. The FDA's 3/2016 Label for Mifepristone has a "black box" warning about "SOMETIMES FATAL INFECTIONS" which cautions that "Atypical Presentation of Infection. Patients with serious bacterial infections and sepsis can present without fever, bacteremia or significant findings on pelvic examination. A high index of suspicion is needed to rule out serious infection and sepsis."

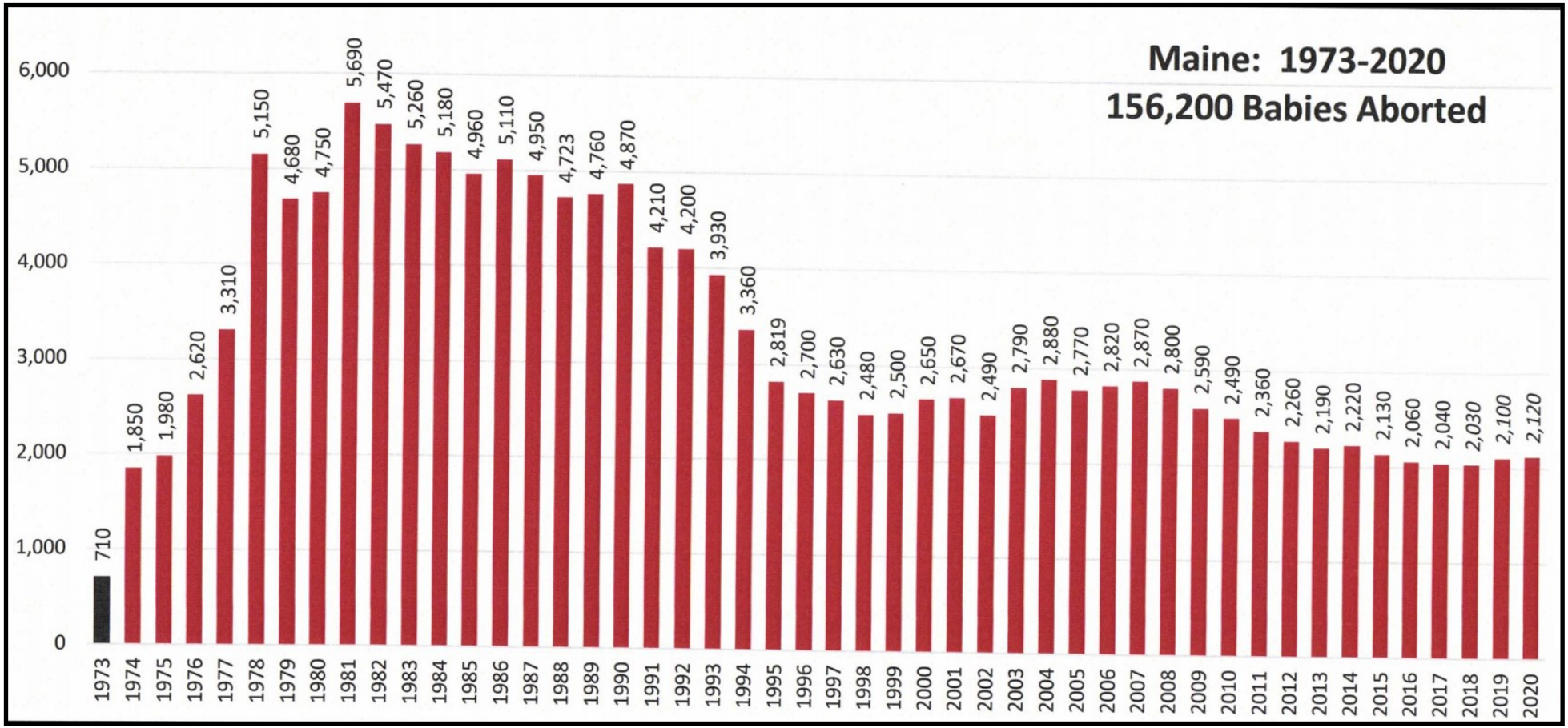
19. In addition to recorded deaths and serious adverse events associated with bleeding in the FDA's 6/30/21 Mifepristone U.S. Postmarketing Adverse Events Summary mentioned and linked in note16 above, there are multiple warnings about the possibility of hemorrhage on the FDA's 3/2016 label for Mifeprex (mifepristone), including a special "black box" warning stating the following:

> WARNING: SERIOUS AND SOMETIMES FATAL INFECTIONS OR BLEEDING...
> Serious and sometimes fatal infections and bleeding occur very rarely following spontaneous, surgical, and medical abortions, including following MIFEPREX use...
> * Bleeding. Prolonged heavy bleeding may be a sign of incomplete abortion or other complications and prompt medical or surgical intervention may be needed.

MAINE Abortion Statistics

2020 Fast Facts from Maine CDC

- **2064** abortions were performed—**an average of 5.6 every day**
- **70%** of those abortions were Chemical (Medication/Non-surgical)
  - **3.5%** of abortions were performed on women under 18
  - **75.3%** of abortions were performed on women ages 20-34



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United States Abortion Statistics

1973 — 2020

63+ Million Abortions

Americans' views concerning abortion?

60% of Americans think abortion should be legal in only a few circumstances (39%) or in no circumstances (21%); just 38% think abortion should be legal in most or all circumstances.

62% of women (compared to 58% of men) think abortion should be legal in only a few circumstances or in no circumstances.

Source: Gallup, 2019

65% of Americans think abortion should be generally illegal in the second trimester of pregnancy; 81% think abortion should be generally illegal in the third trimester.

Source: Gallup, 2018

54% of Americans oppose using tax dollars to pay for abortion.

59% of Americans support legislation that would ban abortion after 20 weeks of pregnancy (except to save the life of the mother).

Source: Marist, January 2019

Why do women have abortions?

56% say it is not the right time for a baby, or a baby would interfere with future opportunities.

40% say they are not financially prepared to have a child.

31% say they do not want to be a single parent, or have relationship problems with husband or partner.

Source: "Understanding Why Women Seek Abortions in the U.S.," *BMC Women's Health*, 2013

Less than 2% say they became pregnant as a result of rape or incest.

Source: "Reasons U.S. Women Have Abortions: Quantitative and Qualitative Perspectives." *Perspectives on Sexual & Reproductive Health*, 2005

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Assisted suicide laws are creating a 'duty-to-die' medical culture

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Despite not hearing about it often, assisted suicide is a major issue in the U.S. right now. In more than 20 states this year alone lawmakers have introduced bills to legalize assisted suicide, and almost every single one of them has been struck down — with bi-partisan support. A recent bi-partisan Sense of Congress bill introduced in Washington, D.C., has opened up the discussion at a national level, and paved the way for upcoming bills and debates in 2018. If 2017 was a busy year for assisted suicide legislation, 2018 will be even more so.

Though assisted suicide is promoted as freedom of choice, the economic forces that drive insurance companies, and subsequently patients' coverage options, greatly restrict self-determination for already vulnerable populations, including people with disabilities. There is evidence that economic considerations limit choice when it comes to health insurance coverage. And the deadly combination of assisted suicide and our profit-driven health care system does in fact steer some patients toward lethal drugs, the cheapest form of "treatment."
Dr. Brian Callister, a physician from Reno, Nev., was told by two separate insurance medical directors that assisted suicide would be covered for his California patients, but the curative therapies Dr. Callister had prescribed to save their lives would not.

Callister confirms the concerns of health care advocates, saying that "since assisted suicide became legal in California and Oregon, the practice of medicine across the West has been irreparably harmed for patients who still want their diseases treated but are now simply offered the cheaper option of a quick death." Patients Barbara Wagner and Randy Stroup in Oregon had similar experiences.

Multiple studies show that people with disabilities, senior citizens, poor people, and people of color are more likely to be mistreated by medical professionals, and the likelihood of being mistreated increases if family members view them as an emotional or financial burden.

When it comes to assisted suicide, we see in states like Oregon, where assisted suicide has been legal for two decades, the percentage of Oregon deaths attributed to a patient's reluctance to "burden" their families rose from 13 percent in 1998 to 40 percent in 2014.

This reveals that the right to die "option" for some vulnerable populations has quickly become more like a duty to die.

The legalization of assisted suicide also devalues the lives of people with disabilities because it creates a double standard — insurance companies and state agencies readily offer to pay for life-ending drugs for individuals with disabilities and serious health conditions when they ask for death, but provide suicide prevention services to non-disabled individuals who make the same request.

But there is more cause for alarm. In states where assisted suicide is legal, nothing prevents a relative who stands to benefit from the patient's death from steering that person towards suicide, witnessing the request, picking up the lethal dose, or even administering the drug. The same goes for abusive caregivers. No witnesses are required when the lethal drugs are administered, and despite assurances by assisted suicide proponents, there are no checks or balances that would prevent abuses.

On top of that, oversight and data reporting are difficult or impossible to enforce. At present, states that have legalized assisted suicide do not even require doctors to record the lethal medication they prescribed as the direct cause of death on the death certificate. Instead, they list the cause of death as, for example, the patient's terminal illness thereby leaving behind a trail of misleading documentation.

When it comes to assisted suicide, mistakes by health care professionals, widespread misinformation, coercion, and abuse all limit the ability of people with disabilities to make informed and independent decisions. And in this profit-driven economic climate, is it realistic to expect that insurers are going to do the right thing, or the cheap thing? If insurers deny, or even delay, approval of costlier life-saving alternatives, then money saving but fatal measures become the deadly default.

The truth is that assisted suicide as public policy is rife with dangerous loopholes and consequences, especially for the vulnerable in our society. We should reject laws that legalize the practice.

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Abortion: The New Holocaust...The Silent Killer

Millions have been decimated since Roe v. Wade was enacted. Our country has lost generation upon generation of innocent children, and millions of mothers and fathers carry lifelong wounds. It is difficult to really imagine such unfathomable loss and injustice. Since that fateful day of January 22, 1973, 60 MILLION abortions have been committed in our nation; equivalent to killing off more than the entire populations of:

- Alaska (739,795)
- Arkansas (3,004,000)
- Delaware (961,939)
- D.C. (693,972)
- Hawaii (1,428,000)
- Idaho (1,717,000)
- Illinois (12,800,000)
- Indiana (6,667,000)
- Iowa (3,146,000)
- Kansas (2,913,000)
- Maine (1,336,000)
- Mississippi (2,984,000)
- Montana (1,050,000)
- Nebraska (1,920,000)
- Nevada (2,998,000)
- New Mexico (2,088,000)
- North Dakota (755,393)
- Oregon (4,143,000)
- Rhode Island (1,060,000)
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- Vermont (623,657)
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Tragic consequences of assisted suicide laws

Background:
Assisted Suicide is now legal in California, Oregon, Washington, and Vermont and may have some protection in Montana. Battles are raging in nearly every state legislature. These laws claim to offer just another medical option for competent terminally ill adults. However, this has NOT been the case in the states living under these dangerous laws.

Where legal, there have been documented abuses under these laws. In many states, there is a real risk that assisted suicide will expand to apply to the incompetent. Further, should the number of states legalizing assisted suicide continue to grow, the U.S. Supreme Court may readdress euthanasia as a constitutional right.

Talking Points:

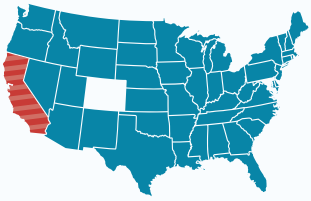
- With proper care, nearly all pain can be treated medically.
- There is nothing to stop the government from steering you to inexpensive suicide versus treatment.
    - Under a nearly identical law, cancer patients Barbara Wagner and Randy Stroup's own doctors recommended treatment, but Oregon's Health Plan denied their request and reminded them of a suicide option.
- Everyone knows someone who has been misdiagnosed or outlived a terminal diagnosis.
- Depression leads some to seek suicide, but depression is treatable. Nothing in this act requires screening for mental health.
- Your family member could die from taking lethal drugs and you wouldn't know about it until he/she is dead because no family notification is required in advance.
- Who benefits from assisted suicide?
    - Medical insurance companies save money and will pay for cheap suicide drugs.
    - Heirs, who can inherit more money sooner, can be involved in the suicide.
    - Assisted suicide is a recipe for elder and disability abuse because it puts lethal drugs in the hands of abusers.

Deceptively titled "Death With Dignity Laws" are simply too dangerous for you, your loved ones, and vulnerable groups.

THE TRUTH ABOUT ASSISTED SUICIDE:

IT'S NOT AS DIGNIFIED AS IT SEEMS

Assisted Suicide — currently legal in only five states and the District of Columbia.

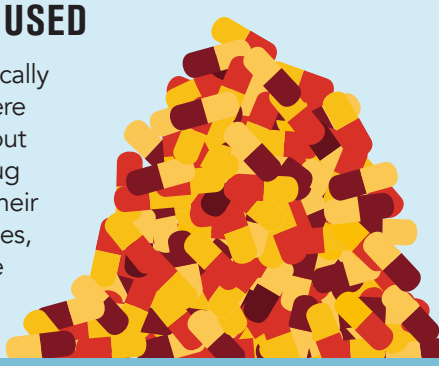


LAWMAKERS WIDELY REJECT IT

Over the past two years, twenty-nine states have considered AS legislation. Only TWO passed the bill into law and one state legalized by ballot measure. [1]

LETHAL ADDICTIVE DRUGS GO UNUSED

If a patient fills the lethal prescription — typically 100 pills — but decides against taking it, there are no safeguards to ensure the drugs stay out of the hands of children and prescription drug dealers. In Oregon, 468 people have filled their prescription and decided not to end their lives, leaving tens of thousands of highly addictive barbiturates unaccounted for. [2, 3]



TAXPAYERS FOOT THE BILL

Taxpayers in Oregon and California pay for the lethal drugs and doctor visits. California's Medicaid program has budgeted $2.3 million taxpayer dollars for the first fiscal year PAS is legal. President Bill Clinton prohibited using federal funds to subsidize PAS, leaving states to foot the bill. [4]

IT AFFECTS OVERALL SUICIDE RATES

Oregon legalized assisted suicide in 1997. Oregon's overall suicide rate had been comparable to the national average, but such laws make suicide more socially acceptable. By 2007, Oregon's suicide rate was 35% above the national average, and by 2010, it was 41% above. Just reading about AS can serve as a trigger for those contemplating suicide. [5]

MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE IGNORED

Only 4% of patients who died from PAS in Washington state were referred for a mental health evaluation. Suicidal patients aren't given resources they deserve, like being screened for depression by a mental health care provider. [6]

IT'S IMPERSONAL

These lethal drugs are often prescribed by physicians who barely know their patients. More than half of patients who died from the lethal drug in Washington state only knew their prescribing physician for six months or less. [7]

[1] Legislation is currently pending in the District of Columbia. [2] Washington State Department of Health, Death with Dignity Act Frequently Asked Questions. [3] www.deathwithdignity.org/faqs. [4] The American Presidency Project, "Statement on Signing the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction Act of 1997". [5] Oregon Public Health Division, Sept. 2010 & Nov. 2012. [6] www.medscape.com/viewarticle/742070_3. [6] Washington State Department of Health, Death with Dignity Act Report 2015, pg. 11. [7] Washington State Department of Health, Death with Dignity Act Report 2015, pg. 11.

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Serious Side Effects of Assisted Suicide Laws

Legalized assisted suicide is fatally flawed.
It has dangerous and careless provisions making it bad public policy.

NO MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATION REQUIRED

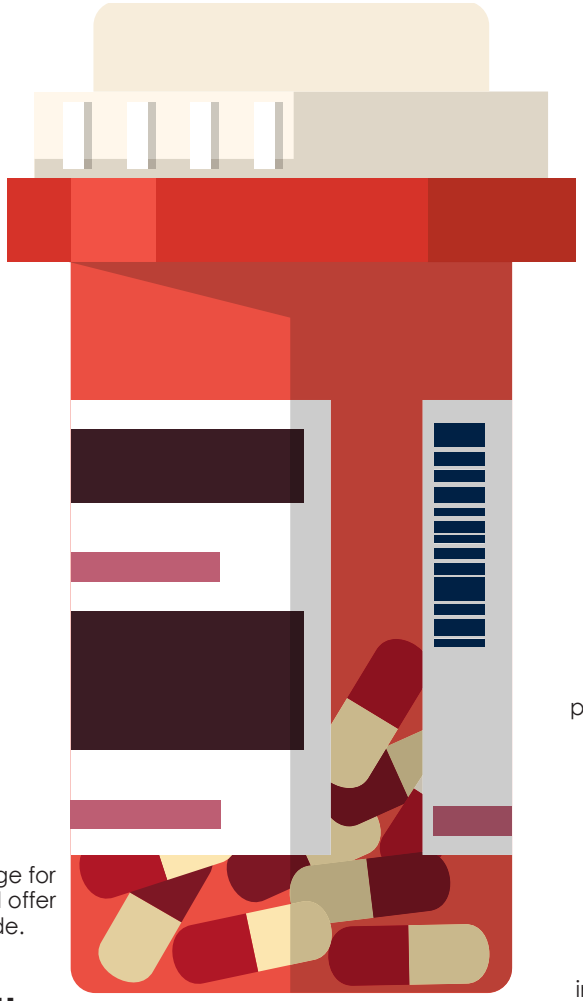
There is no requirement that a patient receive a psychological evaluation before the life-ending prescription is written. A screening from a doctor untrained in mental health is not sufficient.

NO WAY TO PREDICT AN ACCURATE PROGNOSIS

Patients can request PAS if diagnosed with a terminal illness and six months or less to live. But, medical prognoses are based on often-incorrect averages, and patients frequently outlive them.

NO EDUCATION ON PROPER USE OR DISPOSAL

Pharmacists aren't required to counsel patients on proper ingestion methods or disposal of the lethal barbiturates. If patients don't use the drugs, they may dispose of them improperly, sending large amounts of barbiturates into the local drinking water supply. [1]



NO SAFEGUARDS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Leading national disability rights groups recognize the many dangers the bill poses to people with disabilities, including those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, falling prey to undue influence from doctors or family members, resulting in a lack of true informed consent.

NO DRUG TAKE-BACK PLAN

The same drugs being used in PAS now were once widely distributed on the black market and abused by prescription drug addicts in the 1970s. Barbiturates are highly addictive and can cause life-threatening withdrawal, coma or death. As the nation continues to fight prescription drug addiction, reintroducing large amounts of these drugs - with no controls in place to collect unused pills - will strain already depleted law enforcement and addiction treatment resources. [2]

NO FAMILY NOTIFICATION REQUIRED

The prescribing doctor must "recommend" that the patient inform family members of his or her intention, but nothing in the law requires it.

NO ID NECESSARY FOR PICKUP

Patients acquire their lethal drugs through a local pharmacy. Most states don't require people to show ID at the time of pick-up and some allow delivery by an Uber driver, so virtually anyone can get up to 100 individual pills of secobarbital and pentobarbital, the drugs commonly used to administer the death penalty.

NO PROTECTION FROM GREEDY INSURANCE ABUSE

Managed care HMOs and greedy insurance companies can, have, and will deny coverage for expensive care prescribed by physicians and offer the ever-cheap "treatment" of assisted suicide.

NO DOCTOR OR NURSE IS PRESENT

Typically, no doctor, nurse or independently licensed aid worker is present when the patient ingests the lethal dose. If something goes wrong, any physical or emotional complications must be handled solely by the patient and those witnessing the death.

NO WITNESS REQUIRED AT DEATH

The law requires two witnesses to be present at the patient's request for the suicide, but none at the time of the suicide. Patients may be coerced into ingesting the drug, or another person may administer the drug, leaving serious potential for abuse.

[1] EPA.gov, 04/27/2012, "Safe Disposal of Medicine"
[2] WebMD, "Bariturate Abuse"

WARNING: THESE ARE ONLY SOME OF THE FLAWS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S LAW WHICH LEGALIZED ASSISTED SUICIDE

A broad coalition of stakeholders, including disability advocates, elder abuse lawyers, members of the medical community, patient advocates, and faith-based organization, have joined together to fight this predatory policy, protect vulnerable citizens, and ensure that everyone has a compassionate end-of-life expereince.

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The History of You

Our lives begin, of course, long before birth. Not open to dispute is the fact that our lives began at the moment of fertilization. The following is a description of the first months of life, starting from the point of fertilization. These facts are recognized in medical and biology texts. But how much do you know about your own beginnings?

CONCEPTION (FERTILIZATION)
- Sperm fertilizes egg
- The new life, starting as just one cell, eventually implants in lining of uterus

2 WEEKS
- Heart beats at 21 days
- Foundation laid for brain and spinal cord

4 WEEKS
- Brain and spinal cord begin to form
- Length is less than 1 inch

6 WEEKS
- Lungs are beginning to form
- Eyes and nostrils are visible
- Taste buds and teeth are beginning to develop

8 WEEKS
- Fingers have grown and separated, toes are now visible
- Facial features—eyes, nose, lips, and tongue—continue to develop
- Each minute the brain develops as many as 250,000 new neurons
- Unborn child is now called a fetus, rather than an embryo

10 WEEKS
- Fingernails are beginning to form
- Kidneys are developing and can produce urine

12 WEEKS
- All major body parts and organs are present
- Heartbeat can be heard with electronic devices
- Bones are beginning to harden

14 WEEKS
- Mouth makes sucking motions
- Spleen begins producing red blood cells
- Hair pattern on head develops

16 WEEKS
- Movement may be felt by the mother
- The unborn child can suck her thumb
- Taste buds are present and functioning

18 WEEKS
- Arms and legs begin to punch and kick
- Fingernails are well formed
- Uterus begins to form if it's a girl
- Length is about 10 inches head to heel

20 WEEKS
- Experts say she can feel pain
- Swallowing begins
- Can turn body side to side and front to back

22 WEEKS
- Rapid brain growth continues
- Weight is about one pound

24 WEEKS
- Outside sounds can be heard
- Actions such as hiccuping, squinting, smiling, and frowning may be seen through ultrasound

26 WEEKS
- Sleep patterns exist and rapid eye movement indicates dreaming may occur
- Eyelids reopen after being closed for months
- Muscles exercise by kicking and stretching

28 WEEKS
- Central nervous system is developed enough to control some major body functions
- Another person might hear a heartbeat by listening to the pregnant woman's abdomen

30 WEEKS
- Rhythmic breathing movements start to occur
- Mom's voice and other familiar sounds may be recognized
- Bones are fully developed, but still soft and pliable

32 WEEKS
- Pupils can dilate and constrict in dim or bright light
- Connections between the nerve cells in the brain have increased

34 WEEKS
- Weight is about 4 to 4½ pounds

36 WEEKS
- Body fat increasing rapidly
- Head may soon start repositioning down in preparation for birth

38 WEEKS
- A newborn is considered full-term 38 weeks after fertilization (40 weeks of pregnancy)
- The unborn child can grasp firmly

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ABORTION statistics

United States Data and Trends

	Guttmacher	CDC
1973	744,610	615,831
1974	898,570	763,476
1975	1,034,170	854,853
1976	1,179,300	988,267
1977	1,316,700	1,079,430
1978	1,409,600	1,157,776
1979	1,497,670	1,251,921
1980	1,553,890	1,297,606
1981	1,577,340	1,300,760
1982	1,573,920	1,303,980
1983	1,575,000	1,268,987
1984	1,577,180	1,333,521
1985	1,588,550	1,328,570
1986	1,574,000	1,328,112
1987	1,559,110	1,353,671
1988	1,590,750	1,371,285
1989	1,566,900	1,396,658
1990	1,608,600	1,429,247
1991	1,556,510	1,388,937
1992	1,528,930	1,359,146
1993	1,495,000	1,330,414
1994	1,423,000	1,267,415
1995	1,359,400	1,210,883
1996	1,360,160	1,225,937
1997	1,335,000	1,186,039
1998	1,319,000	884,273*
1999	1,314,800	861,789*
2000	1,312,990	857,475*
2001	1,291,000	853,485*
2002	1,269,000	854,122*
2003	1,250,000	848,163*
2004	1,222,100	839,226*
2005	1,206,200	820,151*
2006	1,242,200	846,181*
2007	1,209,640	827,609*
2008	1,212,350	825,564*
2009	1,151,600	789,116*
2010	1,102,670	765,651*
2011	1,058,490	730,322*
2012	1,011,000	699,202*
2013	958,700	664,435*
2014	926,190	652,639*
2015	899,500	638,169*
2016	874,100	623,471*
2017	862,320	612,719*
2018	871,806§	619,591*
2019-21	886,677§	629,898*

*excludes NH, CA and at least one other state

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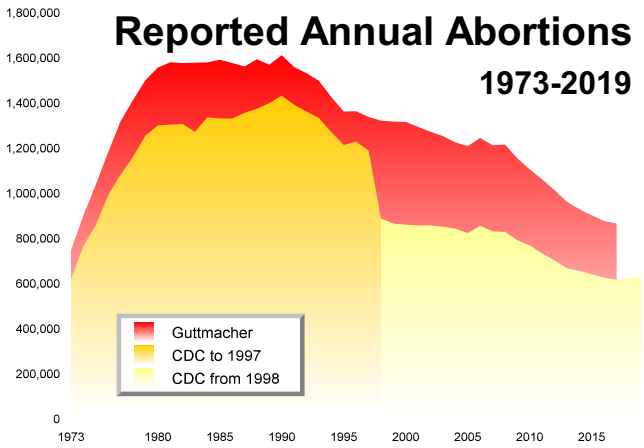

There are two basic sources on abortion data in the U.S.: The U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) publishes yearly, but relies on voluntary reports from state health departments (and New York City, Washington, D.C.). It has been missing data from California, New Hampshire, and at least one other state since 1998.

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Both the CDC and Guttmacher show significant recent drops and sustained declines over the last 25 years.

- Total abortions dropped 28.8% from 1998 to 2019 with the CDC, and fell 46.4% from 1990 to 2017 with GI.
- Total abortions fell below 1 million for the first time in the 2013 GI count and have continued downward to 862,320 in the most recent GI figures for 2017.
- The **abortion rate** for 2017 for GI was 13.5 abortions for every 1,000 women of reproductive age (15-44), less than half that of 1981 (29.3) and lower than when abortion was legalized in the U.S. in 1973 (16.3).
- GI says there were 18.3 abortions for every 100 pregnancies ending in live birth or abortion in 2016, 18.4 for 2017, lower **abortion ratios** than any since 1972.
- Guttmacher says that abortion "providers" have dropped from a high of 2,918 in 1982 to 1,587 in 2017.
- According to the CDC, the percentage performed with chemical abortifacients like mifepristone rose from 9.6% in 2004 to 43.7% in 2019.

The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade*

63,459,781

Total abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2017, with 3% added for GI estimated possible 3-5% undercount for 1973-2014. Another 12,000 per year added for 2015-2021 for abortions from "providers" GI says it may have missed in 2015-2017 counts. 1/22

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BANGOR

First Step Pregnancy Resource Center
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Email: info@firststepbangor.com Web: www.firststepbangor.com

Godparent Home Ministries
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Email: shepherdsgodparenthome@gmail.com Web: www.godparenthomeme.com

BIDDEFORD

St. Andre Home
Sister Terry Gauvin, Executive Director
168 Prospect St. Biddeford, ME 04005
For info. about the *Center for Parenting and Play or Hope Rising (a residential treatment program for survivors* of human trafficking), contact: Anna Casey (207) 282-3351 Email: acasey@saintandrehome.org

BRUNSWICK

Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine
Sue Morley, Director
PO Box 969, 7 Cumberland St Brunswick, ME 04011-0969 Phone: 207-725-5433 or 800-712-HELP
Email: thecenter@carenetme.org Web: www.carenetme.org

DOVER, NH

Options (Pregnancy, Sexual, and Family Resource Center)
Michael Younus, Executive Director
65 Main St., Dover, NH 03820-3423 Phone/Text: 603-749-4441
Email: via online website form Web: www.optionsforwomen.org

FORT KENT

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Fort Kent)
Lisa Chouinard, Center Director
272 West Main St. Fort Kent, ME 04743 Phone: 207-834-5800 or 1-(800)-300-0220 Web: www.pcc-hope.org

FRYEBURG

Mother Seton House
Cyndi Broyer, Director
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HOULTON

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Houlton Center)
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PO Box 633, 56 Military St, Houlton, ME 04730 Phone: 207-532-6380 or 1-(800)-300-0220 Web: www.pcc-hope.org

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Hope House's Family Support Center / Women's Free Health Clinic
Bruce & Jan Willson
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PORTLAND

ABBA—A Women's Resource Center
Jenny Pratt, Executive Director
1250 Forest Ave. Portland, ME 04103 Phone: 207-253-5555 or 800-712-HELP Or text 207-200-5746
Email: answergirl@abbapregnancychoice.org Web: www.abbapregnancychoice.org

Catholic Charities Maine—Birthline
Michael Smith, Director of Mission
PO Box 10660, 307 Congress St Portland, ME 04104 Phone: 1-800-781-8550 x2672
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Project Rachel, Diocese of Portland
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CANDIA, NH

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Email: via online form Web: www.bethany.org/candia

GRAY, ME

Adoption Partners of Maine
PO Box 617 Gray, ME 04039 Phone: 1-888-635-6935 24/7 Hotline: 1-844-300-LOVE (5683)
Email: support@adoptionpartnersofmaine.org Web: www.AdoptionPartnersOfMaine.org

WATERVILLE, ME

The Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers
93 Silver St. Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: (207) 873-4253
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YARMOUTH, ME

Adoption Solutions of Maine
253 Main St. Yarmouth, ME 04096 Phone/Text: (207) 400-6803
Email: via online form Web: www.AdoptionSolutionsofME.org

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Beacon Hospice Care (an Amedisys Company)
245 Center St. Ste.10A Auburn, ME 04210 Phone: (207) 784-4242
Web: https://locations.amedisys.com/me/auburn/beacon-hospice-care.html

SCARBOROUGH, ME

Hospice of Southern Maine
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Email: info@hospiceofsouthernmaine.org Web: www.hospiceofsouthernmaine.org

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Maine General Home Care and Hospice
Hathaway Creative Center 10 Water St., Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: 1-877-561-7299
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MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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Response to Gov. Mills' Executive Order about "Reproductive Health Care" in Maine

62% of Mainer's opposed the taxpayer funding of abortion. I wonder how Mainer's feel about funding abortions for out-of-stater's, at a time when native Mainer's are struggling to pay rent, buy groceries, and put gas in their cars. I also wonder if women looking to come to Maine for an abortion are aware that Maine:

1. Has no laws requiring safety and cleanliness inspection of abortion clinics.
2. Passed a new law that allows non-doctors to perform abortions.
3. Abortionists are not required admitting privileges to local hospitals if and when something goes wrong.

Not only does Governor Mills executive order (like the abortion industry) calls abortion women's reproductive healthcare, when, in fact and truth, there is nothing reproductive about it (the word "reproductive" means to produce an offspring). Abortion is the taking of an innocent, voiceless human life. Her executive order seeks to review all current laws concerning abortion and lift further restrictions and barriers. Governor Mills executive order is dangerous. Women in Maine and out-of-state deserve better.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I was a child, we played Opposite Day – everything said meant the opposite. The Pro-Abortion lobby plays this game and has been for a very long time. Their play on words hijacked the woman's movement, killed more than 63 million unborn babies, and changed the social order of society. They've influenced and disguised public policy, manipulated minds, and divided the country. It's time to recognize the lies, heal the wounds, and rise above the pain. There is hope. Join us!

Our beautiful state slogan is "***Maine – the way life should be.***" Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one of four states where deaths/year is greater than births. On average, there are 5.6 babies hoping to be born every day in Maine; instead, they are thrown away. Is this really the way life should be? We can change this!

Planned Parenthood's name implies a focus on family; they claim they provide "Women's Reproductive Healthcare." Both are deceptive lies. "Reproductive" is producing an offspring, certainly NOT killing babies. They are not only anti-family; they are the number one provider of abortions in the US, and they receive millions in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood also allegedly touts Black Lives Matter, yet their founder, Margaret Sanger, is a noted racist.

The Pro-Abortion lobby wants to write ERA into Maine's constitution. They've already tried several times, but they aren't giving up. Warning: This is NOT the ERA movement of the 1970's. Today's ERA could best be dubbed: **E**verything **R**elated to **A**bortion. It doesn't protect women; it hurts them. There are efforts to bring this to a state referendum. This is dangerous. Maine's future depends on us, you and me, defeating this measure!

And now some good news: Our Country is on the cusp of overthrowing Roe v. Wade. While we really hope it happens, some people are wondering what this would means for Maine? If Roe is overthrown, it simply means abortion policy and laws will revert to our state's existing laws; each state will be able to decide what works best for them. It is widely understood that Roe v. Wade was a bad decision from day one. The bad news is, currently, Maine has laws in place for Roe v. Wade to carry on in Maine if the court decision is overturned. **The people we elect to represent us in the Maine State Legislature matters**. Get to know your state lawmakers. Please consider running for office, encourage others to run, and support our Pro-Life candidates!

When we shift our focus to a culture of life, we begin to imagine Maine beyond Roe. When we shift taxpayer dollars that fund abortion today to Maine's pregnancy resource centers and adoption agencies tomorrow, and when we shift our attention to help post-abortive women heal with love, hope, redemption, and confidence to speak the truth, we heal Maine. Abortion does NOT give women freedom and empowerment; It hurts women, and it kills our state.

Maine – The Way Life Should Be cannot afford to fall prey to Opposite Day. Mainers deserve truth. Together let's keep our eyes on the prize – our culture of life. Thank you to our members, advertisers, patron donors and sponsor partners. Just as a baby in the womb needs its mother, without you, Maine Right to Life would not exist.

Join us!

Karen Vachon

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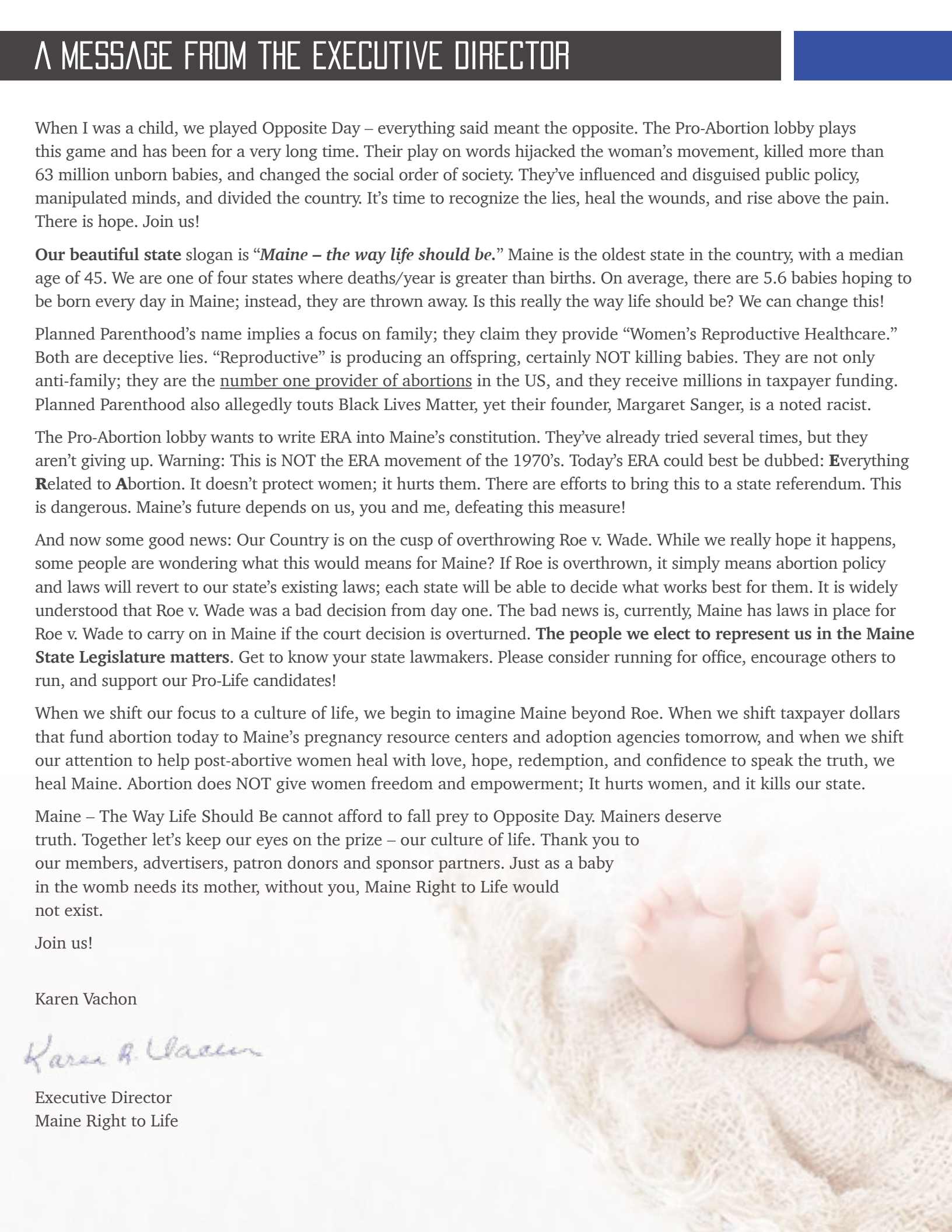

MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

PRO-WOMEN

Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Last year, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Most recently, a 22-year old Pennsylvania transgender swimmer took America's top trophy in university sports dashing the hopes of every other woman in the competition. Those who dare speak up against this are verbally assaulted.

What has gotten confused in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

Among the arguments Pro-ERA advocates use to shame people into supporting ERA ratification is the argument of pay and job opportunity inequity.

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ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

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On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
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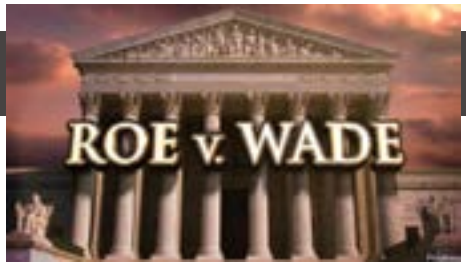
> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

BE IN THE KNOW WITH ROE AND DOE!



Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

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STATE REP D104	Amy Bradstreet Arata	New Gloucester
STATE REP D105	Anne Graham	North Yarmouth
	David Lawrence Reed	North Yarmouth
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	Jonathan E. Priest	Windham
	Thomas M. Tyler	Windham
STATE REP D107	Paul C. Fullam	Windham
	Michael David Hall	Windham
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	Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Gorham
STATE REP D109	James Allen Boyle	Gorham
	Joseph Edwards Velozo	Gorham
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	Stephen W. Moriarty	Cumberland
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	Christopher Mark Storms	Falmouth

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STATE REP D113	Grayson B. Lookner	Portland
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	Daniel L. Merrill	Portland
STATE REP D115	Michael F. Brennan	Portland
	Andrew Thomas Mahaleris	Portland
STATE REP D116	Dale J. Holman	Portland
	Samuel Lewis Zager	Portland
STATE REP D117	Matthew Moonen	Portland
		Portland
STATE REP D118	Rachel Talbot Ross	Portland
STATE REP D119	Peter Ignatius Doyle	Portland
	Susanne K. Robins	Portland
	Charles A. Skold	Portland
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	Victoria Morales	So. Portland
STATE REP D121	Christopher J. Kessler	So. Portland
	Tammy Walter	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D122	Lois Galgay Reckitt	So. Portland
STATE REP D123	Annie Christy	Cape Elizabeth
	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth
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	Sophia B. Warren	Scarborough
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STATE REP D128	Charles William Ellis	Westbrook
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STATE REP D130	Lynn H. Copeland	Saco
	Theodore L. Sirois	Saco
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STATE REP D132	Timothy S. Keenan	Biddeford
	Erin R. Sheehan	Biddeford
STATE REP D133	Marc G. Malon II	Biddeford
STATE REP D134	Traci L. Gere	Kennebunkport
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	Ronald C. Russell	Kennebunkport
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	Daniel Sayre	Kennebunk
STATE REP D136	Heidi H. Sampson	Alfred
	Joseph Andrew Wagner	Lyman
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	Robert W. Faucher	Buxton
STATE REP D138	Mark John Blier	Buxton
STATE REP D139	Nancy Germaine Piche	Waterboro
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STATE REP D140	Wayne R. Parry	Arundel
	Kirstan L. Watson	Arundel
STATE REP D141	Patricia E. Kidder	Sanford
	Lucas John Lanigan	Sanford
	John M. McAdam	Sanford
STATE REP D142	Pamela Diane Buck	Sanford
	Joseph Robert Hanslip	Sanford
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	Timothy M. Roche	Wells
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	Walter Gerard Runte Jr.	York
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	Holly T. Sargent	York
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	David J. Rumery	Eliot
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	Howard L. Patten	Kittery

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS

Acton	22
Albion	16
Alfred	33
Allagash	1
Alna	13
Alton	8
Amherst	6
Amity	2
Andover	19
Anson	5
Appleton	12
Argyle Township	8
Arundel	32
Ashland	1
Athens	5
Auburn	20
Augusta	15
Aurora	6
Avon	19
Baldwin	22
Bancroft Township	2
Bangor	9
Bar Harbor	7
Belgrade	15
Benton	3
Berwick	34
Bethel	19
Biddeford	32
Bingham	5
Blaine	2
Blue Hill	7
Boorthbay Harbor	13
Boothbay	13
Bradford	4
Bradley	10
Bremen	13
Brewer	10
Bridgewater	2

Bridgton	18
Brighton Plantation	5
Bristol	13
Brooklin	7
Brooksville	7
Brownfield	18
Brunswick	23
Buckfield	19
Bucksport	10
Burlington	8
Buxton	31
Byron	19
Cambridge	5
Camden	12
Canaan	3
Canton	19
Cape Elizabeth	29
Caratunk	5
Caribou	1
Carmel	10
Carrabassett Valley	5
Carroll Plantation	8
Carthage	19
Casco	26
Castine	7
Castle Hill	1
Caswell	1
Central Arrostook UT	2
Central Hancock UT	6
Central Somerset UT	5
Chapman	1
Charleston	4
Chebeague Island	23
Chelsea	14
Chester	2
Chesterville	5
China	15
Clifton	10

Clinton	3
Connor	1
Coplin Plantation	19
Corinna	4
Corinth	4
Cornish	22
Cornville	5
Cranberry Isles	7
Criehaven UT	12
Crystal	2
Cumberland	25
Cushing	12
Cyr Plantation	1
Dallas Plantation	19
Damariscotta	13
Dayton	32
Dedham	10
Deer Isle	7
Denmark	18
Dennistown Plantation	5
Detroit	3
Dexter	4
Dixfield	19
Dixmont	3
Dresden	24
Drew Plantation	2
Durham	20
Dyer Brook	2
Eagle Lake	1
East Central Franklin UT	5
East Central Penobscot UT	8
East Hancock UT	6
East Millinocket	2
Eastbrook Franklin	6
Easton	2
Eddington	10
Edgecomb	13
Edinburg	8

Eliot	35
Ellsworth	7
Embden	5
Enfield	8
Etna	3
eustis	19
Exeter	4
Fairfield	16
Falmouth	25
Farmindale	14
Farmiongton	5
Fayette	17
Fort Fairfield	1
Fort Kent	1
Frechville	1
Freeport	23
Frenchboro	7
Friendship	12
Frye Island	26
Fryeburg	18
Gardiner	14
Garfield Plantation	1
Garland	4
Gilead	19
Glenburn	4
Glenwood Plantation	2
Gorham	30
Gouldsboro	6
Grand Isle	1
Gray	25
Great Pond	6
Greenbush	8
Greene	17
Greenwood	19
Hallowell	14
Hamlin	1
Hammond	2
Hampden	10

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
Lewiston	21

Limerick	22
Limestone	1
Limington	22
Lincoln	8
Lincoln Plantation	19
Linneus	2
Lisbon	17
Litchfield	17
Littleton	2
Livermore	17
Livermore Falls	17
Long Island	25
Long Island	28
Louds Island UT	13
Lovell	19
Lowell	8
Ludlow	2
Lyman	32
Macwahoc Plantation	2
Madawaska	1
Madison	3
Magalloway Plantation	19
Manchester	14
Mapleton	1
Mariaville	6
Mars Mill	2
Marshall Island UT	7
Masardis	1
Matinicus Isle Plantation	12
Mattawamkeag	2
Maxfield	2
Mechanic Falls	18
Medway	2
Mercer	5
Merrill	2
Mexico	19
Milford	8
Millinocket	2
Milton Township	19
Minot	18
Monhegan Plantation	13

Monmouth	14
Monticelo	2
Moose River	5
Moro Plantation	2
Moscow	5
Mount Chase	2
Mount Desert	7
Mount Vernon	15
Muscle Ridge Islands UT	12
Naples	22
Nashville Plantation	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	20
New Limerick	2
New Portland	5
New Sharon	5
New Sweden	1
New Vineyard	5
Newburgh	10
Newcastle	13
Newfield	22
Newport	3
Newry	19
Nobleboro	13
Norridgewock	3
North Berwick	34
North Franklin UT	19
North Haven	12
North Oxford UT	19
North Penobscot UT	2
North Yarmouth'	25
Northeast Somerset UT	5
Northwest Aroostook UT	1
Northwest Hancock UT	6
Northwest Somerset UT	5
Norway	18
Oakfield	2
Oakland	16
Ogunquit	35
Old Orchard Beach	31

Old Town	8
Orient	2
Orland	7
Orono	8
Orrington	10
Osborn	6
Otis	10
Otisfield	18
Owls Head	12
Oxford	18
Palmyra	3
Paris	18
Paronsfield	22
Passadumkeag	8
Patten	2
Penobscot	7
Penobscot Indian Island	8
Perham	1
Peru	19
Phillips	19
Piscataquis Countty	4
Pittsfield	3
Pittston	14
Pleasant Ridge Plantation	5
Plymouth	3
Poland	20
Portage Lake	1
Porter	22
Portland	27
Portland	28
Pownal	23
Prentiss Township	8
Presque Isle	2
Randolph	14
Rangeley	19
Rangely Plantation	19
Raymond	26
Readfield	14
Reed Plantation	2
Ripley	5

Rockland	12
Rockport	12
Rome	5
Roxbury	19
Rumford	19
Sabattus	17
Saco	31
Sagadahoc County	24
Saint Agatha	1
Saint Albans	5
Saint Francis	1
Saint George	12
Saint John Plantation	1
Sandy River Plantation	19
Sanford	33
Scarborough	29
Scarborough	30
Sebago	22
Seboeis Plantation	2
Seboomook Lake UT	5
Sedgwick	7
Shapleigh	22
Sherman	2
Sidney	15
Skowhegan	3
Smithfield	5
Smyrna	2
Solon	5
Somerville	13
Sorrento	6
South Aroostook UT	2

South Berwick	35
South Bristol	13
South Franklin UT	19
South Oxford UT	19
South Portland	29
South Thomaston	12
Southport	13
Southwest Harbor	7
Springfield	8
Square Lake UT	1
Stacyville	2
Standish	22
Starks	5
Stetson	3
Stockholm	1
Stonham	19
Stonington	7
Stow	19
Strong	5
Sullivan	6
Sumner	19
Surry	7
Swans Island	7
Sweden	18
Temple	19
The Forks Plantation	5
Thomaston	12
Tremont	7
Trenton	7
Turner	17

Twombley Rodge Township	8
Union	12
Unity Township	3
Upton	19
Van Buren	1
Vassalboro	15
Veazie	8
Verona Island	7
Vienna	5
Vinalhaven	12
Wade	1
Waldo County	11
Waldoboro	13
Wales	17
Wallagrass	1
Waltham	6
Warren	12
Washburn	1
Washington	13
Washington County	6
Waterboro	33
Waterford	18
Waterville	16
Wayne	14
Webster Plantation	8
Weld	19
Wells	34
West Central Franklin UT	19
West Forks Plantation	5
West Gardiner	14

West Paris	19
Westbrook	26
Westbrook	27
Westfield	2
Westmanland	1
Weston	2
Westport Island	13
Whitefield	13
Whitney Township	8
Wilton	5
Windham	26
Windsor	13
Winn	8
Winslow	16
Winter Harbor	6
Winterville Plantation	1
Winthrop	14
Wiscasset	13
Woodland	1
Woodstock	19
Woodville	2

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HOUSE DISTRICT / TOWNS

Abbot	30
Acton	144
Addison	11
Albion	63
Alexander	10
Alfred	136
Allagash	1
Alna	47
Alton	27
Amherst	18
Amity	8
Andover	73
Anson	72
Anthens	72
Appleton	40
Argyle	27
Arrowsic	49
Arundel	140
Ashland	1
Auburn	88
Auburn	89
Auburn	90
Augusta	59
Augusta	60
Aurora	18
Avon	74
Baileyville	9
Baldwin	84
Bancroft	8
Bangor	21
Bangor	22
Bangor	23
Bangor	24
Bar Harbor	14
Baring	9
Bath	50
Beals	11
Beaver Cove	30

Beddington	18
Belfast	39
Belgrade	58
Belmont	39
Benton	67
Berwick	148
Bethel	78
Biddeford	132
Biddeford	133
Biddeford	134
Bingham	72
Blaine	6
Blanchard	30
Blue Hill	16
Boothbay	48
Boothbay Harbor	48
Bowdoin	52
Bowdoin	98
Bowdoinham	52
Bowerbank	30
Bradford	27
Bradford	32
Bradley	26
Bremen	45
Brewer	20
Brewer	24
Bridgewater	6
Bridgton	83
Brighton	30
Bristol	46
Brooklin	15
Brooks	38
Brooksville	16
Brownfield	82
Brownville	31
Brunswick	99
Brunswick	100
Brunswick	101

Buckfield	80
Bucksport	17
Burlington	18
Burnham	68
Buxton	137
Buxton	138
Byron	78
Calais	9
Cambridge	30
Camden	41
Canaan	69
Canton	77
Cape Elizabetth	121
Cape Elizabetth	123
Caratunk	72
Caribou	4
Carmel	35
Carrabassett Valley	73
Carroll	8
Carthage	74
Casco	86
Castine	16
Castle Hill	6
Caswell	3
Central Arrostook	6
Central Hancock	13
Central Somerset	72
Chapman	6
Charleston	32
Charlotte	10
Chebeague Island	110
Chelsea	53
Cherryfield	18
Chester	29
Chesterville	75
China	62
Clifton	18
Clinton	68

Codyville	8
Columbia	11
Columbia Falls	11
Connor	3
Cooper	10
Coplin	73
Corinna	33
Corinth	27
Cornish	138
Cornville	71
Cranberry Isles	14
Crawford	10
Criehaven	42
Crystal	8
Cumberland	110
Cushing	43
Cutler	10
Cyr	3
Dallas	73
Damariscotta	46
Danforth	8
Dayton	140
Deblois	18
Dedham	18
Deer Isle	15
Denmark	83
Dennistown	73
Dennysville	10
Detroit	69
Dexter	32
Dixfield	77
Dixmont	33
Dover-Foxcroft	31
Dresden	53
Drew	8
Durham	98
Dyer Brook	6
Eagle Lake	1

East Central Fraklin	73
East Central Penobscot	18
East Central Washington	10
East Hancock	18
East Machias	10
East Millinocket	29
Eastbrook	18
Easton	3
Eastport	9
Eddington	19
Edgcomb	48
Edinburg	28
Eliot	150
Ellsworth	13
Embden	72
Enfiled	28
Etna	33
Eustis	73
Exeter	32
Fairfield	67
Falmouth	111
Falmouth	112
Farmingdale	54
Farmington	75
Fayette	58
Fort Fairfield	3
Fort Kent	1
Frankfort	37
Frankfort	38
Franklin	12
Freedom	63
Freepoort	102
Frenchboro	15
Frenchville	2
Friendship	45
Frye Island	86
Fryeburg	82
Gardiner	54
Garfield	1
Garland	32
Georgetown	49
Gilead	73
Glenburn	34
Glenwood	8
Gorham	108
Gorham	109
Gouldsboro	12
Grand Isle	2
Grand Lake Stream	9
Gray	104
Gray	105
Great Pond	18
Greenbush	18
Greene	92
Greenville	30
Greenwood	81
Guilford	30
Hallowell	55
Hamlin	3
Hammond	6
Hampden	36
Hancock	12
Hanover	78
Harmony	72
Harpswell	99
Harrington	11
Harrison	83
Hartford	77
Hartland	69
Haynesville	8
Hebron	80
Hermon	35
Hersey	6
Hibberts Gore	62
Highland	73
Hiram	82
Hodgdon	8
Holden	19
Hollis	137
Hollis	138
Hope	44
Houlton	7
Howland	28
Hudson	27
Industry	74
Island Falls	8
Isle au Haut	15
Islesboro	40
Jackman	73
Jackson	38
Jay	76
Jefferson	47
Jonesboro	11
Jonesport	11
Kenduskeag	34
Kennebunk	134
Kennebunk	135
Kennebunkport	134
Kingfield	73
Kingman	8
Kingsbury	30
Kittery	150
Kittery	151
Knox	38
Lagrange	28
Lake View	31
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	14
Lebanon	144
Lee	8
Leeds	91
Levant	34
Lewiston	93
Lewiston	94
Lewiston	95
Lewiston	96
Liberty	40
Limerick	139
Limestone	3
Limington	138
Lincoln	28
Lincoln	73
Lincolnville	40
Linneaus	7
Lisbon	97
Lisbon	98
Litchfield	56
Littleton	6
Livermore	76
Livermore	77
Livermore Falls	76
Long Island	110
Louds Island	45
Lovell	82
Lowell	18
Lubec	10
Ludlow	7
Lyman	136
Lyman	140
Machias	11
Machiasport	10
Macwahoc	8
Madawaska	2
Madison	71
Magalloway	73
Manchester	55
Mapleton	6
Mariaville	18
Mars Mill	6
Marshall Island	15
Marshfield	10
Massardis	1
Matinicus Isle	42
Mattawamkeag	8
Maxfield	28
Mechanic Falls	87
Meddybemps	9
Medford	31
Medway	29
Mercer	66
Merrill	6
Mexico	77
Milbridge	11

Milford	27
Millinocket	29
Milo	31
Milton	78
Minot	90
Monhegan	46
Monmouth	56
Monroe	38
Monson	30
Monticello	6
Montville	40
Moose River	73
Moro	6
Morrill	40
Moscow	72
Mount Chase	29
Mount Desert	14
Mount Vernon	58
Muscle Ridge Islands	42
Naples	84
Nashville	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	104
New Limerick	7
New Portland	74
New Sharon	58
New Sweden	3
New Vineyard	74
Newburgh	36
Newcastle	46
Newfield	141
Newport	33
Newry	73
Nobleboro	46
Norridewock	71
North Berwick	148
North Berwick	149
North Frlanklin	73
North Haven	42
North Oxford	73
North Penobscot UT	28

North Penobscot UT	29
North Washington UT	8
North Washington UT	10
North Washington UT	11
North Washington UT	18
North Yarmouth	105
Northeast Piscataquis	30
Northeast Somerset	72
Northfield	10
Northport	39
Northwest Arrostook	1
Northwest Piscataquis	30
Northwest Somerset	73
Norway	81
Nothwest Hancock	18
Oakfield	7
Oakland	66
Old Orchard Beach	131
Old Town	26
Orient	8
Orland	17
Orono	24
Orono	25
Orrington	19
Osborn	18
Otis	18
Otisfield	80
Owls Head	42
Owls Head	43
Oxford	80
Palermo	62
Palmyra	69
Paris	79
Parkman	30
Parsonsfield	139
Passamaquoddy Indian Township Point	9
Passamaquoddy Pleasant Point	9
Passudau,keag	18
Patten	29
Pelham	2

Pembroke	10
Penobscot	17
Penobscot Indian Island	26
Perkins	52
Perry	9
Peru	77
Phillips	73
Phippsburg	49
Pittsfield	68
Pittston	53
Pleasant Ridge	72
Plymouth	33
Poland	86
Poland	87
Portage Lake	1
Porter	82
Portland	112
Portland	113
Portland	114
Portland	115
Portland	116
Portland	117
Portland	118
Portland	119
Pownal	98
Prentiss	8
Presque Isle	5
Princeton	10
Prospect	37
Rangeley	73
Rangeley Plantation	73
Raymond	86
Readfield	57
Reed	8
Richmond	52
Ripley	72
Robbinston	9
Rockland	42
Rockport	41
Rome	58
Rondolph	53

Roque Bluffs	11
Roxbury	78
Rumford	78
Sabattus	92
Saco	126
Saco	129
Saco	130
Sandy River	73
Sanford	141
Sanford	142
Sanford	143
Sangerville	30
Scarborough	124
Scarborough	125
Scarborough	126
Searsmont	40
Searsport	37
Sebago	84
Sebec	30
Seboeis	28
Seboomook Lake	72
Sedgewick	16
Shapleigh	141
Sherman	8
Shirley	30
Sidney	61
Sidney	66
Skowhegan	70
Smithfield	66
Smyrna	6
Solon	72
Somerville	62
Sorrento	12
South Aroostook	8
South Berwick	149
South Berwick	150
South Bristol	48
South Franklin	74
South Oxford	81
South Portland	120
South Portland	121

South Portland	122
South Thomaston	43
Southeast Piscataquis	31
Southport	48
Southwest Harbor	15
Springfield	8
Square Lake	2
St. Agatha	2
St. Albans	69
St. Francis	1
St. George	43
St. John	1
Stacyville	8
Standish	84
Standish	85
Starks	66
Stetson	32
Steuben	12
Stockholm	3
Stockton Springs	37
Stoneham	81
Stonington	15
Stow	81
Strong	74
Sullivan	12
Sumner	79
Surry	16
Swans Island	15
Swanville	38
Sweden	81
Talmadge	8
Temple	74
The Forks	73
Thomaston	43

Thorndike	38
Topsfield	8
Topsham	51
Topsham	98
Tremont	15
Trenton	16
Troy	68
Turner	91
Twombly Ridge	8
Union	44
Unity	38
Unity	63
Upton	73
Van Buren	2
Vanceboro	8
Vassalboro	61
Veazie	24
Verona Island	17
Vienna	58
Vinalhaven	15
Wade	4
Waite	8
Waldo	38
Waldoboro	45
Wales	56
Wallagrass	1
Waltham	13
Warren	44
Washburn	4
Washington	45
Waterboro	136
Waterboro	139
Waterford	81
Waterville	64

Waterville	65
Wayne	91
Webster	8
Weld	74
Wellington	30
Wells	145
Wells	146
Wesley	10
West Bath	49
West Central Fraklin	73
West Forks	73
West Gardiner	55
West Paris	79
Westbrook	126
Westbrook	127
Westbrook	128
Westfield	6
Westmanland	3
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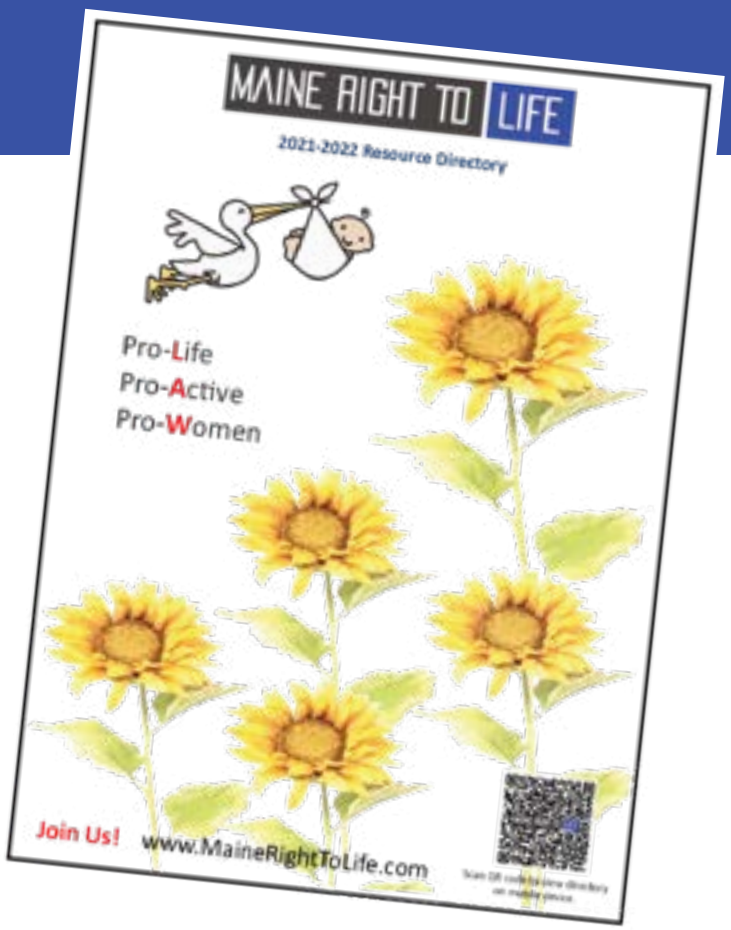

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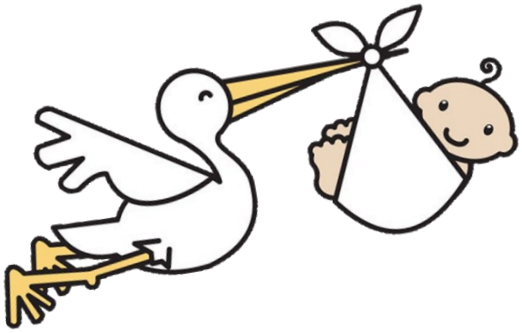

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A message from the Executive Director,

Thomas Jefferson's Declaration of Independence states: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Covid-19 has brought the fragility of life to the forefront. The epidemic began with a message: We are all in this together. The brutal racial death of George Floyd united America in outrage and condemnation. We were all in this together…

Next, Black Lives Matter turned peaceful protests violent— looting, chaos, mayhem, and killing followed. White people were shamed for having "white privilege" and deemed racists, whether they know it or not. Police departments and police officers were judged racist and guilty of police brutality. Demands to defund the police followed.

Historic monuments and statues tumbled, allegedly, to erase America's racist past. Among the toppled were historic tributes to figures who raised America out of slavery, such as the Lincoln Emancipation Memorial, statue of Thomas Jefferson, and statue of abolitionst, Hans Christian Heg. Yet, the bust of the Founder of Planned Parenthood, Margaret Sanger, a known racist, still stands in the National Portrait Gallery. It begs the question: Why? And why hasn't there been calls to defund Planned Parenthood?

Identity politics divides our country. If you don't promote Black Lives Matter; you're a racist. Free speech is being denied. Censorship prevails. "Group think" controls the narrative. This powerful force makes people victims (a new form of human slavery) . It is doing more harm than good, and is destructive to women, minorities, and the traditional family. The spirit of the human heart and America is in peril.

We've seen in our history, abominations that have led people down dark paths. America has grown from the atrocities of slavery. America can grow from the atrocities of racism and abortion, too. It's time for every individual to embrace a personal journey of character perfection, and ponder the evils of group think that lures our nation down dark paths. We can't afford not to.

There's been a shift. Once upon a time, Jesse Jackson called abortion "black genocide", comparing abortion to slavery. Jackson condemned the idea that a baby was the personal property of the mother – who could do as she pleased. He likened this to slavery on plantations – protest was forbidden because plantations were private. Speaking at the 1977 March for Life, Jackson asked: "What happens…to the moral fabric of a nation that accepts the aborting of the life of a baby without a pang of conscience?"

Martin Luther King envisioned a colorblind America based on individual character, rather than identity politics. We need to move beyond victimhood. Government power and control is not the solution. Power resides within every human being. Each of us, created unique with purpose, to be our best. No one person better than anyone else.

Now, more than ever, we must come together, hone our courage, find our voices, and defend life from womb to tomb. The innocent unborn, exploited, downtrodden, sick and aging need our compassionate, tender, loving care. Maine Right to Life believes that every life matters, no matter who you are and where you are in life's journey.

Karen Vachon
Executive Director

Who we are:

Maine Right to Life Committee is a state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, doctor assisted suicide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

Our advertising arm of Maine Right to Life is Maine Vitae Society, who designs and funds our major media advertising campaigns through TV and internet. This division is 100% volunteer, and is a 100% separate fundraising division.

We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active and Pro-Women. This resource guide seeks to inform, educate, and motivate all walks of life to defend life from womb to tomb. Wherever you are in your life: if you are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, post abortion remorse, sexual exploitation, addiction, or depression – there is help, support, inspiration, and motivation in these pages. Life is a journey of which you are never alone. This resource guide is available in hard-copy and electronic copy with hyper-links to deep dive the topics.

We hope you will become a compassionate active member of Maine Right to Life.

Why we do what we do…

Today, a woman's right to abortion is referred to as "women's reproductive healthcare", and in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, access to an abortion is considered an "essential service". American abortion policy is among the most permissive in the world. In fact, the US is one of only seven countries that allows abortion after 20 weeks' gestation – for any reason, no questions asked. And no matter how you feel about this, your tax dollars fund and promote this. But it hasn't always been this way! And it doesn't need to stay this way. America faced the atrocities of slavery and changed. Our hope is America will face the atrocities of abortion and change. It can be done by taking action and changing laws. Get to know your lawmakers today! (p.42-53)

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The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade*

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Maine Right to Life
Annual Events

**We hope to hold all our events this coming year.
Exact dates and times will be determined according to Maine State gathering guidelines surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.**

Hands Around the Capitol Rally and March

Held in January in Augusta, ME. This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march.

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Held in February, it is a wonderful opportunity to meet with pro-life leaders from across Maine and learn first-hand what is new and exciting in the respect life movement. Families, singles, students, and seniors are welcome to join us, along with respect life organization from across Maine including our life-saving Pregnancy Support Centers, Hospice, the Knights of Columbus, and others. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet your local Maine legislators while at the Capitol.

Flowers For Mother's Day

This May project recognizes the sacrifices of motherhood by providing fresh flowers to all the well deserving Moms in your Parish, organization or club. In addition to thanking moms for their gift of life, your participation in this program also helps us promote a Culture of Life right here in Maine.

Celebrate Life Walk

Held in July at several locations throughout Maine. Join family, friends, and community leaders in a 2 mile pro-active, pro-life walk. Build the culture of life—one step at a time!

MRLC Convention

Annual Convention

We truly hope you'll join us in the Fall, along with pro-life leaders from across the state! We will be making important announcements along with an informative and relevant, pro-life keynote speaker.

MAINE VITAE SOCIETY

Maine Vitae Society was formed in 1997 with the express purpose of using major media to educate the general public about abortion. It was long known that traditional media outlets were not providing a true picture of abortion and that we would have to educate the public ourselves if we wanted the truth to be known.

Even though it is a part of Maine Right to Life, Maine Vitae Society is quite unique. It receives no funding from the parent organization and is directed and operated solely by volunteers. All funds raised are restricted and can be used only for major media advertising. Because of the total volunteer structure there are no fund raising expenses so that virtually every dollar raised goes directly to advertising.

Maine Vitae Society launched its initial advertising campaign in January 1999 after raising more than $125,000. That first campaign which lasted three months was run on the major TV networks in the Portland and Bangor markets. Since then Maine Vitae Society has expanded its TV advertising into all parts of Maine including Aroostook County and utilizes cable as well as network.

Today, Maine Vitae Society can quietly affirm that it has run over 125,000 thirty-second commercials since its modest beginning in 1999. Even though it is on the air at various times of the year, its most intensive campaign continues to take place during the January - April period when a high percentage of abortions occur and TV viewership is high. The response from viewers, both those pro-life and those with strong abortion rights convictions, remains high and indicates that the truth is indeed getting through.

In mid-2005 after much study and research, Maine Vitae Society decided to expand its major media advertising by adding the Internet to its schedule. This was done in order to reach teens and young adults more directly. Extensive research had proven that the Internet was that age group's medium of choice to get news and information and where a lot of its views were being formed. Maine Vitae Society has to advertise on the Internet if it wants to influence this large 12-24 age group.

We advertise on Google 24/7 and steadily on social media as well, in order to urge Maine teenagers and young adults to click onto the marvelous pro-life website, "Teenbreaks.com," owned and managed by The Rosetta Foundation. This website was started in January 2003 and the results have proven impressive. It tells the truth about abortion with real, current and moving stories from young girls who have aborted and have sorrowfully and painfully regretted it. It also tells the stories of girls who have rejected abortion, chosen life, adoption and a more happy future. There are other segments which describe abortion most graphically, encourage adoption, abstinence, and the development of self respect.

Maine Vitae Society is delighted with the results of its Internet advertising aimed at young people. Since 2006, its first full year of existence, teen abortions in Maine have declined from 483 to 203, a significant slide of almost 60%.

The young are the future and fortunately they are increasingly pro-life. Maine Vitae Society is grateful to have this highly effective website to promote and offer to Maine teenagers and young adults.

Maine Vitae Society plans to continue its dual approach by advertising on both TV and the Internet. It expresses, once again, its sincere gratitude to its generous donors who have made it all possible.

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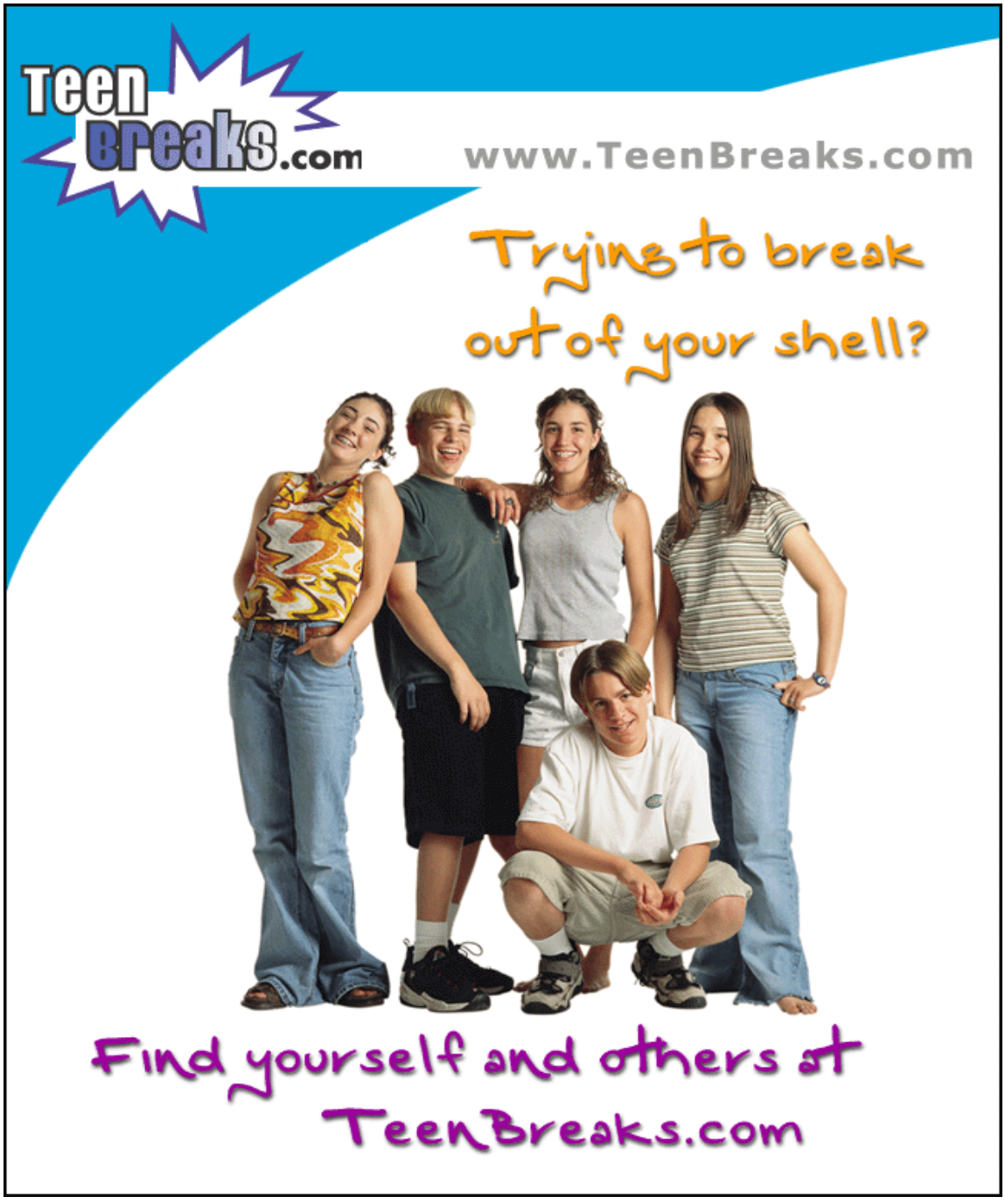
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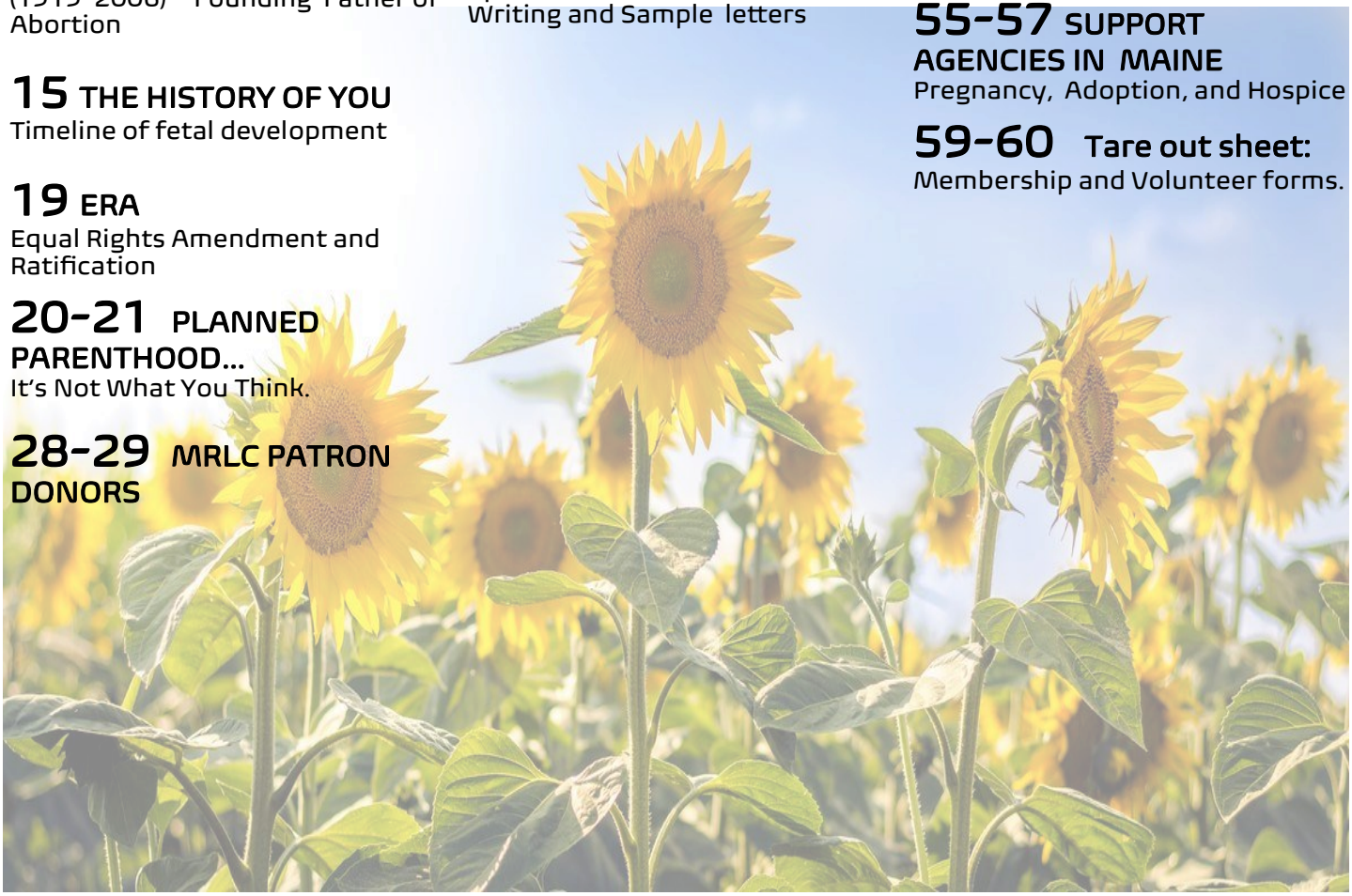

PRO-LIFE

Why the Pro-Life movement? History of contraception, abortion, and Roe V Wade

There's been a shift in law and attitude. Once upon a time, life in the womb was most sacred. Contraception was illegal. Abortion was a crime. Protecting the life of the unborn was paramount – a fetus was recognized as a human being with rights and opportunity to prosper. The family took center stage. In today's altered society our controlled narrative and laws couldn't care less about the unborn, self-interest is paramount, gender has been deconstructed and marriage re-defined, all in the name of equal rights.

Anthony Comstock, a devout Christian from New York City, observed his city teeming with prostitution and women being exploited. He believed contraception was lewd, immoral, and promoted promiscuity. He went to Washington, DC to do something about this. The Comstock Act passed in 1873. Known as the Anti-Obscenity Law , which prohibited the sale and possession of birth control. Information promoting birth control was deemed "Articles of immoral use". Many states passed laws prohibiting the sale of contraceptives.

Back in 1927, conception determined when human life began. The American Medical Association urged state legislatures to pass laws to protect the unborn. Every state passed laws that made abortion a serious crime.

From 1880 to 1930 there was a transition period to a new sexual order which would undermine the traditional family and ultimately lead to the sexual revolution in the 1960's, setting the course for a new social order.

Margaret Sanger was a birth control advocate who challenged the law in 1916 when she opened the first birth control clinic in NYC. Following her arrest, the 1918 Crane decision allowed women to use birth control for therapeutic purposes. In 1920, The American Birth Control League (later to become known as Planned Parenthood) was founded. By 1936 the US Court of Appeals decision permitted doctors to distribute contraceptives across state lines, giving legitimacy to the birth control industry. This changed the public attitude on birth control. Once opposed, Christian Churches warmed to morally accepting birth control, though the Catholic Church remained opposed. Birth rates dropped significantly.

At first, falling birth rates didn't cause alarm. The population control movement was in full swing against a looming threat of third-world, poor, communist countries having too many

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History of women's activism.

July 13, 1848 marks the very beginning of the women's movement. On this day, housewife and mother, Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1920) gathered four women, including Lucretia Mott (1793-1889) for tea. Discontented over the limitations of women in America, Stanton was the only non-Quaker in the group. The women took action! Five days later a convention was held at the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls, NY. Other than a small advertisement in the local newspaper, the event was barely publicized.

Stanton drafted The Declaration of Sentiments. Modeled after the Declaration of Independence, the Declaration of Sentiments stated "all men and women are created equal". The convention at Seneca Falls was held to discuss social, civil and religious rights of women; their grievances and demands, and a call to constitutionally guarantee women's rights to equality as US citizens, which included the right to vote. This began the Suffrage movement. The declaration was signed by 68 women and 32 men and formalized the start of the Women's Rights Movement in the US.

Friends Susan B. Anthony (left) and Elizabeth Cady Stanton (right).

Stanton met Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) in 1851. Anthony had seven brothers and sisters, and at a very young age, was inspired by the Quaker belief that everyone was equal under God. This belief was the foundation of her life's work. She became an activist, uninhibited by social rules that women shouldn't speak publicly, she passionately delivered speeches against slavery. Stanton and Anthony became friends, and spent the next 50 years fighting for women's rights. Together, they co-founded the American Equal Rights Association, and in 1868, published *The Revolution* – a publication that promoted equality and rights for women.

Education and political rights were considered privileges of the upper class, but the voices of the movement also included non-white ordinary women. Sojorner Truth, (1797 – 1883) a former slave, became the voice that bridged the ordinary with the elite. Though she couldn't read or write, she became a charismatic speaker against the evils of slavery. When she met Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B Anthony, she joined the women's movement delivering her famous speech: "Ain't I a Woman" where she challenged racial and gender inferiority and inequality.

Temperance, abolition of slavery, and women's rights were the social issues of the time. Many courageous women became activists, taking to the lecture circuit in the 1860's and 1870's. They held popular and effective rallies. Some women activists had more than 200 speaking engagements a year. While they were focusing on suffrage, they were pushing for equal rights of women, overall. In 1866, the American Equal Rights Association (AERA) was founded to "secure Equal Rights to all American citizens, especially the right of suffrage, irrespective of race, color, or sex". Lucretia Mott was AERA's president.

There wasn't always agreement, and a schism occurred over ratification of the 15th amendment. Anthony and Stanton were against it because, in giving black men the right to vote, they believed the women's right to vote should be included. They believed the two issues belonged together, and should be fought at the federal level. They formed the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA). Opponents believed the immediate expansion of citizenship rights to former slaves would be jeopardized by including voting rights to women; they believed woman's suffrage should best be achieved through amendments to individual state constitutions. They formed the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA).

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Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. Abortion is man's ultimate control over a woman's ability to birth and raise children. The women of Betty Friedan's generation never realized men were and still are dictating who has children and who does not. Betty, herself was steered off course, by journalist and friend, Larry Lader who convinced Betty, his agenda - over population - could sell abortion. It was Lader who developed the language: A woman should have the right to control her own body. The woman's movement was hijacked by a white man whose agenda was population control.

To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Recently, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Can you guess who is being vilified? … The girls.

What has been misleading in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through, became a political lightning rod, yet to be ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was".

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Margaret Sanger – 1879-1966

If Margaret Sanger had her way, she would be remembered as the prominent leader of the birth control movement who liberated women and gave them sexual freedom. Don't be fooled!
Margaret Sanger is the kingpin architect who launched the most thriving crusade against women, minorities, and the dis-abled.

She is depicted guardedly and deceitfully in the history books – all part of her master plan to set and control a narrative that is being played out today.

Contrary to what we have heard, Margaret Sanger was not a compassionate liberal woman who dedicated her life's work out of concern for poor minority women and their families, and women's reproductive healthcare. Rather, she was closely associated with leaders of the eugenics movement, which include Lawrence Lader (author of her biography) and Alan Guttmacher, who played a pivotal role in the founding of Planned Parenthood.

Margaret Sanger was the sixth of eleven children, born to poor Irish immigrant parents in Corning, NY. Her father advocated for socialism and was an outspoken critic of the Catholic church. Her mother was Catholic, and died at age 50 of tuberculosis. Sanger claimed her premature death was caused by eleven childbirths and seven miscarriages. She lashed out at Catholic clergy and her father for causing her mother's death, hence committing her life's work to perfect contraception to relieve women from the horrible stain of repeated, unwanted pregnancies.

Raised in poverty, she married into wealth and settled in Greenwich Village, NY, where she became closely associated with leading figures in the eugenics movement, believing that some human races were superior to others and therefore, superior races should be encouraged to reproduce, while inferior members of society, such as the poor or minorities should be regulated and controlled

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Sanger published *The Birth Control Review in 1917. In the May 1919 edition, she wrote: "More children from the fit, less from the unfit – that is the chief aim of birth control." In November 1921's edition, she declared, "birth control: to create a race of thoroughbreds."*

That same year, she founded the American Birth Control League (later to become Planned Parenthood).

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Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."

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CHOOSE LIFE

Lawrence (Larry) Lader (1919-2006) – Founding Father of Abortion

Amid today's labeling of white supremacists, bashing white men who know nothing about women's health, and untenable sexual abuse and exploitation of women, it may come as a surprise to learn that legalized abortion was introduced, promoted, and advanced by Larry Lader –a white man, who today is revered as the "The Founding Father of Abortion.".

Abortion had rightly been viewed as a societal taboo, but that all changed with Lader's revolution to normalize the killing of unborn and unwanted children. Long–standing social pressures had forced a man to care for a child conceived outside of marriage, and women could legally pursue a man who impregnated her. There was strong family and community support for both the couple and the baby. The 19th century, however, saw a rise in abortion activity, which was initially prevalent among the young female servant class of immigrants without family, giving rise to prostitution.

For mainstream America, abortion was thought barbaric. Wealthy women would find willing medical doctors to perform abortion and the poor sought abortions in back alleys. Even Margaret Sanger objected to legalized abortion. When she drove by prostitutes standing in line for their abortions, she saw birth control as the solution.

Lader viewed this differently. He envisioned a day when the social stigma of abortion would be removed. Abortion would be safe, provided on demand, by doctors, and federally funded. To achieve this, he said: "every revolution has to have a villain." To grab attention he needed to shift, divert, divide, and confuse the issue. He targeted the women's movement, doctors, and, his villain –the hierarchy of the Catholic Church, - under the guise of population control, medical safety, and women empowerment.

Finding power, clout and influence in his pen – Lader wrote articles that interested him. He re-shaped social order, coined new language, and fed a narrative that ignored truth, facts, and laws. By hoodwinking, seducing, and coercing powers of influence, he was hell-bent to legalize abortion and promote unrestricted sexual freedom.

He wasn't a researcher or scientist, rather, a journalist with an agenda, determined to make a name for himself. He was successful! Cited at least seven times, as a material expert, in the 1973 Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision – this would hardly be the crescendo to his life's work. He turned

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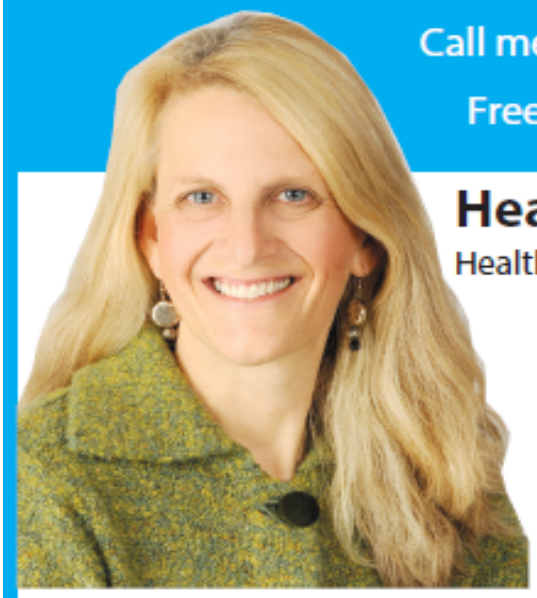

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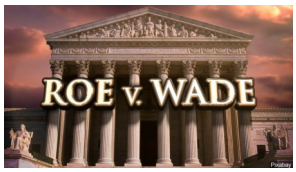
children – there was concern that a world-wide famine was imminent, rising taxes would increase the spread of communism. The solution: Abortion.

In 1959, the America Law Institute proposed a model penal code for state abortion laws. This code advocated legalizing abortions in limited circumstances, to include the mental & physical health of the mother, rape and incest, and fetal deformity. Colorado was the first state to pass an abortion law permitting abortion under these limited circumstances. California, Oregon, and North Carolina followed suit. As more states embraced pro-abortion laws, the National Right to Life was founded in 1968, in an effort to organize, communicate, and coordinate what was going on in various states across the country.



By the early 1970's, four states had laws making abortion on demand legal; one state permitted abortion for rape or incest; a total of 31 states had very limited laws permitting abortion only to save a mother's life.

Then the federal government stepped in. Contrary to what people think, Roe V. Wade is not a law passed by Congress January 22, 1973.. It was a vote by 7 (a full court has 9) Supreme Court Justices. The US Supreme Court were determined that all state laws protecting the unborn null and void. Roe v. Wade ruled that "legal personhood does not exist prenatally". This decision made abortion legal in all 50 states for the full term of pregnancy. To this day, this is, the most controversial Supreme Court Decision.

Decades after the unique decision, no other decision continues to cause such large and sustainable outcry. Deemed the "engine of controversy" it has become the symbol of judicial over reach causing much upheaval. Every year, since the decision of Roe v. Wade, Maine Right to Life holds a rally and solemn memorial - Hands Around the Capital event, to remember the innocent lives lost caused by this decision.

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Roe v. Wade is actually two cases – Roe v. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia. The court read both together. Though Doe is rarely spoken about, in its near 40 year history, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides what is called the "health exception" for an abortion after a fetus becomes viable. The "health exception" addresses the physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and age of the mother, thus providing legal justification to have an abortion throughout the entire gestational pregnancy.

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Matthew 25:40

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CONCEPTION (FERTILIZATION)
- Sperm fertilizes egg
- The new life, starting as just one cell, eventually implants in lining of uterus

2 WEEKS
- Heart beats at 21 days
- Foundation laid for brain and spinal cord

4 WEEKS
- Brain and spinal cord begin to form
- Length is less than 1 inch

6 WEEKS
- Lungs are beginning to form
- Eyes and nostrils are visible
- Taste buds and teeth are beginning to develop

8 WEEKS
- Fingers have grown and separated, toes are now visible
- Facial features—eyes, nose, lips, and tongue—continue to develop
- Each minute the brain develops as many as 250,000 new neurons
- Unborn child is now called a fetus, rather than an embryo

10 WEEKS
- Fingernails are beginning to form
- Kidneys are developing and can produce urine

12 WEEKS
- All major body parts and organs are present
- Heartbeat can be heard with electronic devices
- Bones are beginning to harden

14 WEEKS
- Mouth makes sucking motions
- Spleen begins producing red blood cells
- Hair pattern on head develops

16 WEEKS
- Movement may be felt by the mother
- The unborn child can suck her thumb
- Taste buds are present and functioning

18 WEEKS
- Arms and legs begin to punch and kick
- Fingernails are well formed
- Uterus begins to form if it's a girl
- Length is about 10 inches head to heel

20 WEEKS
- Experts say she can feel pain
- Swallowing begins
- Can turn body side to side and front to back

22 WEEKS
- Rapid brain growth continues
- Weight is about one pound

24 WEEKS
- Outside sounds can be heard
- Actions such as hiccuping, squinting, smiling, and frowning may be seen through ultrasound

26 WEEKS
- Sleep patterns exist and rapid eye movement indicates dreaming may occur
- Eyelids reopen after being closed for months
- Muscles exercise by kicking and stretching

28 WEEKS
- Central nervous system is developed enough to control some major body functions
- Another person might hear a heartbeat by listening to the pregnant woman's abdomen

30 WEEKS
- Rhythmic breathing movements start to occur
- Mom's voice and other familiar sounds may be recognized
- Bones are fully developed, but still soft and pliable

32 WEEKS
- Pupils can dilate and constrict in dim or bright light
- Connections between the nerve cells in the brain have increased

34 WEEKS
- Weight is about 4 to 4½ pounds

36 WEEKS
- Body fat increasing rapidly
- Head may soon start repositioning down in preparation for birth

38 WEEKS
- A newborn is considered full-term 38 weeks after fertilization (40 weeks of pregnancy)
- The unborn child can grasp firmly

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The first voting right victory came in 1869 when the Wyoming territory granted women the right to vote. Both women's organization celebrated the victory. Then, in 1878, the NWSA successfully lobbied the US Congress for a constitutional amendment. Though Congress formed committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate to study and debate the issue, when the proposal reached the senate floor in 1886, it was defeated. By 1890, the two organizations merged, forming the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA). Their strategy was to lobby for voting rights state-by-state.

By the turn of the 20th century, four states passed voting rights to women, and women's suffrage was gaining momentum. Despite the deaths of Stanton (1902) and Anthony (1806), young energy entered the movement. Stanton's daughter, Harriot Stanton Blatch (1856-1940) raised awareness with parades, pickets, and marches. Alice Paul (1885-1977) brought discipline, strategy with a militaristic style.

Unfettered, she organized marches, White House protests, and rallies. She founded the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage (which later became the National Woman's Party); arrested several times and imprisoned at least three times, she was the key leader securing the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920. The 19th amendment reads: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States." This put an end to a nearly century long fight to prohibit sex discrimination in the right to vote.

Once securing the right to vote, Paul and members of the National Woman's Party decided to seek constitutional guarantees of equality by way of the Equal Rights Amendment, written by Paul and Crystal Eastman (1881-1928), and delivered to Congress in 1923. It read: "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. In 1943, the wording was changed to the version that exists today. It reads: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Like the disagreement on suffrage; a bitter split emerged with ERA when some of Paul's allies in suffrage, found ERA troubling. The challenge was to ensure that equal rights match women's needs. At conflict, was the goal to allow women to have the same opportunities as men, while, at the same time, enabling women to be freely distinct and different from men without adverse consequences. This challenge remains today, and is why, though ERA passed Congress in 1972, the ERA has never been ratified.

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Not only did Sanger have a disregard for the poor, whom she referred to as "human weeds", she also had a disdain for blacks, of which her motives were clear: "Remember our motto: if we must have welfare, give it to the rich, not to the poor…we are paying for and even submitting to the dictates of an ever increasing, unceasingly spawning class of human beings who never should have been born at all."

Sanger joined forces with her wealthy racist friend, and heir to the Proctor Gamble fortune, Dr. Clarence Gamble to create the "Negro Project". Under the guise of helping the poor black community, a strategy was in place to recruit charismatic black ministers to encourage black women to use birth control. Sanger wrote to Dr. Gamble: "we do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population and the minister is the man who can straighten that idea out if it ever occurs to any of the more rebellious members."

Today Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortion in the US, responsible for aborting a disproportionately higher number of black babies. According to Candace Owens, author of *Blackout*, black women have the highest abortion rate among all racial groups; while they represent 13% of the US female population, they make up 40% of all abortions. Seventy-eight percent of Planned Parenthood clinics are located in low income minority communities.

Sanger also had a strong aversion to marriage: "The marriage bed is the most degenerating influence in the social order." She endorsed over throwing the family unit and making way for a "voluntary association" between sexual partners that focus more on sexual gratification rather than reproduction. In her book: *Women and the New Race* she wrote: "Many, perhaps, will think it idle to go further in demonstrating the immorality of large families, but since there is still an abundance of proof at hand, it may be offered for the sake of those who find difficulty in adjusting old-fashion ideas to the facts. The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."

The Margaret Sanger legacy, is a legacy of lies:

- Although married, Margaret Sanger resented marriage.
- Although a mother, she resented motherhood.
- Although confirmed in Catholic faith, she denounced Christianity and God.
- Although Quaker-appearing, she was a serial adulteress.
- Although she was 'opposed to abortion', she believed in infanticide.
- Although she was a socialist, she married a multi-millionaire industrialist oil tycoon and became an anarchist.
- Although she employed genocidal policies, she posed as a reputable community health service provider.
- Although a millionaire, she vowed to spend her late husband's $5million dollars on herself before she died, (leaving nothing to her sons and grandchildren)

Maine Right to Life believes the bust of Sanger should be removed and Planned Parenthood should be defunded. **If you agree, will you write your local Representatives and tell them?** There are several bills before the legislature this session asking for more taxpayer dollars to fund Planned Parenthood and to increased access to abortion.

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Bust of Margaret Sanger in Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery's "Struggle for Justice" exhibit.

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The Doe decision distinguishes the US as one of the most liberal democracies in the world. Only seven countries allow abortion after 20 weeks. The US is one of four nations (Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason after fetal viability.

Last September, at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe V. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned Parenthood V. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade descion). **According to the CDC, abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.** Of Americans who identify as being pro-choice - two thirds oppose late term abortion. Seventy-nine percent of Americans oppose late term abortions; and 82% of Americans oppose denying care to a viable child after birth.

A Gallup poll issued January 22nd, 2020, *Dissatisfied with US abortion laws at a new high*, reveals a 7% increase from a year ago. Today, 58% of Americans are not happy with our nation's abortion laws and believe they should be stricter. This is a new high for Gallup's trend.

The mainstream media controls a narrative which is not aligned with the thoughts of our nation. The powers that be portray Pro-Lifer's as predominately white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body – the true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats (who were told there was no place for them in the party), blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

Maine Right to Life believes that **people deserve to know the truth. Knowledge is power.** Please share these facts, and let everyone know, Pro-Life has a place for everyone that values human life from womb to tomb.

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Equal Rights Amendment and ratification

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the states US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" (ERA), to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur. In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, some activist groups now insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if just one additional state ratifies it.

The Equal Protection clause from the 14th amendment states: "nor shall any state deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." Maine Right to Life opposes the 1972 ERA because it could potentially be used as a powerful pro-abortion legal weapon, which pro-abortion activist groups openly proclaim that this is what they intend. For example: (March 2019), NARAL Pro-Choice America

ANSWERING THE CALL FOR HELP – what you can do…asserted the ERA "would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws." The NOW said the ERA "properly interpreted could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion…"

There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the constitution. The framers of the constitution and the declaration of independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

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⇒ Planned Parenthood Federation of America is the nation's largest abortion provider. It committed 345,672 abortions according to its 2018-2019 Annual Report, up 12,915 abortions since 2017.

⇒ Planned Parenthood reported 2.5 million patients in 2014 and 2.4 million patients in both 2015, 2016 & 2017, for a decrease of 100,000 patients, or 4% fewer patients between 2014 and 2017.

⇒ Approximately one out of every three abortions committed in our country is committed by Planned Parenthood.

⇒ While the Abortion Giant holds non-profit status, its revenue for 2018-2019 was about $1.638 billion. The highest in its history.

⇒ In the 2017-2018 Report, Planned Parenthood first reported telemedicine services as part of their expanding care category. For 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood affiliates in 17 states now have telemedicine services, including 16 states that perform telemed abortions.17 This is a substantial increase from just 13 states that were reported to perform telemed abortions in the 2017-2018 Report .

⇒ In 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood received $616.8 million in combined federal, state, and local government grants and contracts, an increase of over $50 million from last year's funding. Of all funding received by Planned Parenthood, 37 percent comes from taxpayers' pockets.

⇒ Day in and day out, Planned Parenthood aborts 1,768 innocent babies.

⇒ The 2017-2018 report shows $802.6 million in unrestricted net assets, funds which they can use should or when they lose government funds. In 2018-2019, assets increased to $2.2 billion.

⇒ Although the Abortion Giant touts its extensive health care efforts, cancer screenings and prevention programs have actually *dropped by a whopping 69% —-two-thirds.*—from 2009-2018: 1,830,811 (2009), 1,596,741 (2010), 1,307,570 (2011), 1,121,580 (2012), 935,573 (2013), 682,208 (2014), 665,234 (2015) and 660,777 (2016) and 614,361 (2017) and 566,186 (2018).

⇒ In 2017 Planned Parenthood committed 117 abortions for every adoption referral.

(view 2018-2019 Planned Parenthood Annual Report)

⇒ Actual prenatal services have also steadily decreased by *more than three-quarters (77%)* since 2009: 40,489 (2009) vs. 7,762 (2016).

⇒ Breast exams at Planned Parenthood have also *decreased.* 1,830,311 (2009) vs. 566,186 (2018). And no, Planned Parenthood does not perform mammograms, and never has. Note: In 2015, for the first time in Planned Parenthood's history, abortions outnumbered basic breast exams.

⇒ As of 2017, Planned Parenthood facilities will be down to less than 600 facilities in the U.S. with 56 regional affiliates. At its height in 1995, there were 938 Planned Parenthood facilities. Their facilities are now down by 34%—-an all time low. 32 of its facilities were closed in 2017 alone. It's time to shut them down for good.

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revolutionary activist – unsuccessfully suing the Catholic Church, and at age 76, in 1992 he launched a campaign to legalize and distribute the abortion drug, RU486.

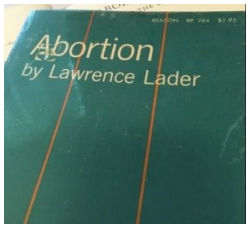
Lader, an atheist, with wealthy Jewish roots, grew up in New York City. He went to Harvard University, where he discovered Karl Marx. After graduating in 1941, he served in World War II, working for Armed Forces Radio. His war dispatches published in the New York Times, launched his career as a journalist, where his work appeared in numerous leading publications. He aspired to be a published author.

Karl Marx

During this time, he met Betty Friedan, author of the Feminine Mystique, through Jean MacInnis (whom he dated and later married). MacInnis had extreme ideas for the times: She kept her maiden name and they had separate bank accounts. The short-lived marriage ended in divorce in 1946.

Lader forged relationships with the elite and influential (most notably, Margaret Sanger), who aligned with his radical thoughts of Malthusianism and Eugenics. Malthusianism is a population theory that absolves wealthier segments of society from the responsibility of caring for the poor, by reducing the number of people born. Eugenics, Darwin's evolutional theory, 'survival of the fittest', seeks to limit the fertility of the poor and the unfit.

Lader's first book, The Biography of Margaret Sanger, was published in 1955. He spent three years interviewing her, referring to himself as "her disciple," and he also said she was "the greatest influence on his life." In 1966, Bobbs-Merill published Lader's second book. Simply titled: "Abortion", the first words stated: "Abortion is the dreaded secret of our society.". In an article in the Los Angeles Times in 1995, Lader reflected: He thought he was simply writing a book, "I had no idea of getting involved in a campaign."



At the press conference announcing the publication of his book, Lader told reporters he had received hundreds of inquiries from women seeking an abortion doctor. In that moment, he decided to not just write about abortion, but do something about it. When women asked for an abortion, he referred over 2,000 to a willing doctor.

In 1967 Lader met obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr. Bernard Nathanson at a dinner party. Nathanson, also a Jewish Atheist, was "swept up" by Lader's anti-authoritarianism, and wanted to be involved in "brewing up a revolution.". He

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on this occasion as well as when they then go forward in this mission.

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performed "therapeutic abortions" and was disturbed with the deaths caused by illegal abortions. For Lader, having an obstetrician on his team would help legitimize abortion as a legal medical procedure.

With a budget of $3,500, the two men founded the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (NARAL) in 1969. (Today, known as NARAL – Pro-Choice America). On a mission, they had their villain, and a strategy: To convince the media and the public that the Catholic hierarchy was imposing its will on America. They would portray Catholics as opposed to the hierarchy; and they would support them in public office as "heroes who oppose abortion for themselves, but believe our church should not impose its will on our non-Catholic neighbors." They wanted to make this a church-state issue and expose the tax-deductible lobbying effort of Catholics.

Over the next few years, Lader and Nathanson were inseparable, tenaciously lobbying state legislatures to repeal prohibitions against abortion. Utilizing unscrupulous tactics they made up numbers of deaths/year of botched abortions. Their efforts were not gaining traction, until Lader come up with the idea to link legal abortion to the popular and growing feminist movement. "If we're going to move abortion out of the books and into the streets, we're going to have to recruit the feminists. Friedan has got to put her troops into this thing – while she still has control of them."

Lader and Nathanson convinced Friedan, the founder of National Organization of Women (NOW) to see legal abortion as a civil and basic human rights issue. Originally Friedan and executives of Planned Parenthood opposed abortion, believing it degraded women and gave too much power to men, but Lader was clever and strategic. Noting that American women like choice, he coined the language of the movement today – "Pro-Choice", "a woman's right to control her own body", and a "woman's right to choose.".

Friedan never mentioned abortion in her first edition of the Feminine Mystique, however Lader successfully persuaded her to use her platform to promote abortion as "liberating and empowering" to women. She joined them at NARAL. The jargon of the women's movement, caught on and was adopted by Planned Parenthood's then president, Alan Guttmacher. At the end of Betty Friedan's life, she expressed her regret for the narrative and the path the woman's movement had ultimately taken.

Nathanson had regrets too. As an obstetrician and gynecologist in New York City, Nathanson oversaw at least 75,000 abortions between 1970 and 1979, of which, 5,000 he performed himself. He earned the nickname: Abortion King. By 1973 the advancement of ultrasound technology, helped him see abortion for what it is and the pain the fetus experiences. Nathanson became Pro-life, and to Lader's chagrin, converted to Catholicism in 1996. Were it not for his complete change of heart, we would never know the truth about Lader's power, influence, and lies to ram rod abortion down Americans' throats.

In 2009, at age 83, Bernard Nathanson met with Terry Beatley of the Hosea Initiative. He told her the 8-point Propaganda Strategy that he and Lader developed for NARAL to convince America that abortion is "women's healthcare." Beatley promised Nathanson that she would share this with lawmakers and clergy, so the people knew the truth. Here is the strategy used to deceive America:

In her book, Subverted, author, Sue Ellen Browder concisely and brilliantly lays out her experience as a columnist for Cosmopolitan, the fictitious stories she told about the Women's sexual revolution and how Larry Lader hijacked the women's movement; it is a must read! Like Nathanson, Sue Ellen converted to Catholicism.

In her book, Sue Ellen explains: We would never have known it was Lader who at last persuaded Betty to insert abortion into NOW's package of "women's rights" if it weren't for the written testimony of a third party who eye-witnessed events as they unfolded beneath the scenes. This eye-witness was Bernard *"Bernie"* Nathanson, M.D., director of one of the world's largest abortion clinics. Nathanson worked with Lader in the late 1960's to found NARAL, the first organization set up to repeal US abortion laws." ~ Sue Ellen Browder, Subverted, p. 51

Dr. Nathanson died in 2011. A friend reflected on two lessons learned by Nathanson's life: **"First – truth will prevail, and overcome darkness, second: We in the pro-life movement have no enemies to destroy. Our weapons are chaste weapons of the spirit: *truth and love*. Our task is less to defeat our opponents than to win them to the cause of life. To be sure, we must oppose the culture and politics of death resolutely and with a determination to win. But there is no one – *no one*- whose heart is so hard that he or she *cannot* be won over.**

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A new wave of feminism was taking shape in the 1960's. Though woman had the right to vote, could hold public office, and have equal employment opportunities, the obvious differences between men and women were over-looked. The importance of protecting women and family, including 24 hour childcare for working families, were cast aside for a new order. The birth control pill was approved by the FDA, over-population and fear of famine, and the sexual revolution took the eye off family, with a new focus on the individual, and a belief that government would come up with all of the solutions.

A new emerging leader, Smith College graduate, Betty Friedan (1921-2006), conducted a survey among fellow college graduates for her 15 year reunion and concluded women were unhappy with their lives as housewives. In 1964, she published The Feminine Mystique, which became a best seller. Friedan uncovered "the problem with no name". Though women were married with children and living in comfort, women were unhappy. Magazines, educators, and advertisers narrowly promoted the domestic sphere which was a stark contrast to the 1930's when magazines featured confident, independent career women. According to her survey, women felt they had lost their identity.

Betty Friedan (front left), The National Organization for Women (NOW).

Friedan's book propelled the re-thinking of femininity and sparked the sexual revolution, spinning the women's movement in several different directions. The National Organization for Women (NOW) was organized, in 1966, and Friedan drafted the founding statement, emphasizing a women's need for identity and autonomy - women as human beings must be given a chance to develop to their full potential. At the 1967 NOW conference at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC. A clash of the liberation movement with the radical feminist movement came to a head when Betty Friedan shocked members by pressing a vote for a full repeal of all abortion laws. By the end of the meeting, one-third of NOW's members quit.

In 1969,the narrative, focus, and language shifted within the Women's Rights Movement– not by women, but by two men, who co-founded, NARAL (National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Law), with the support and advocacy of Betty Friedan. Lawrence Lader, a journalist and Dr. Bernard Nathanson (1926-2006), were clever.

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The narrative had changed, and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion changed and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion and contraception was advancing women's reproductive healthcare. The women's movement was hijacked. Lader is credited as being the founding father of the abortion movement and heavily influenced the Roe V. Wade decision in 1973.

Dr. Bernard Nathanson

Today, Abortion defines the women's movement. This is not what the pioneers of the women's movement had in mind. Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote:

> **"When we consider that women are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit."**

Victoria Woodhull, the first women candidate for president wrote:

> **"Every woman knows that if she were free, she would never bear an unwished for child, nor think of murdering one before its birth."**

The first women to receive a medical degree in the US, Elizabeth Blackwell wrote: "The gross perversion and destruction of motherhood by the abortionist filled me with indignation, and awakened active antagonism."

Susan B Anthony's, *The Revolution, published a piece that said abortion was a choice that would burden both a woman's "Conscience in life and soul in death"; which ultimately is an exploitation of women.*

At Maine Right to Life, we follow our early leaders with a shared belief that the rights of mother and child are inherently linked. By getting to know our early leaders, we admire their courage, are inspired by their persistence, and we feel called to carry the torch to protect the authentic lives of women and children.

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WE RESPECT THE RIGHT TO LIFE

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St. Mary of Lourdes Church
Lincoln, ME

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Thursday 2:30pm

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Protecting Life from Womb to Tomb.

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She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. In fact, the ERA will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

We are seeing the problems unfold right now when biological men transgender to women, and rob biological women of sports recognition, titles, and scholarships. We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Efforts to ratify the ERA were taken up again in 2019. "Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled, though, the ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing, and the new ERA ratification initiative should be dubbed: Everything Related to Abortion.

Feminist for Life, President Serrin Foster believes that women deserve so much better and something is seriously wrong when abortion (under the auspices of women's reproductive healthcare) is prescribed to women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant, overwhelmed, lacking in support and resources. "Not only must we do better; women deserve better"

We must ensure that ERA is not ratified in Maine, that biological women can compete fairly in women's sports, and that women facing unplanned pregnancy have the support and resources to completely know all their choices.

Maine Right to Life believes we should follow the lead of the late Phyllis Schlafly and engage Maine citizens to not only find their way to the State Capitol, but engage with their local lawmakers, and to ultimately change laws! We are looking to develop Pro-Life chapters around the state. Please consider being a part of this effort.

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A meme Wonder Woman actress Gal Gadot shared on Instagram January 27, 2017.

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Let us not lose faith in the power of our weapons to transform even the most resolute abortion advocates."
~ Robert P George, Feb. 27, 2011

Maine Right To Life encourages our members to trust that the truth will prevail. Let the stories of conversion of some of the most ardent pro-abortion turned pro-life advocates be a beacon of hope, and a call to action to each of us, that simple actions done in loving and caring ways plant seeds that move and change lives.

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MAINE Abortion Update and Statistics

Abortions in Maine are on the rise.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, **the number of abortions increased to 2,021.**

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions**. MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.**

The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. **In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.**

Iowa, Minnesota, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii, and Maine commit telemed abortions.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan , and Waterville.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the 2nd trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from 3 in 2009 to 104 in 2018, but fell slightly in 2019 to 92.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is <u>still</u> NOT rare in Maine... with an average of

5.5 abortions committed EVERY DAY...

38.8 abortions EACH WEEK.

For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com

*Statistics provided my Maine CDC

Helpful Links

EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

www.mainerighttolife.com
www.nrlc.org (National Right to Life)
www.LifeNews.com
www.liveaction.com
www.centerformedicalprogress.org
www.HeartBeatInternational.org
www.all.org (American Life League)
www.feministsforlife.org
www.humanlife.org
www.aaplog.org (Pro-Life OBGYNS)
www.lifeissues.org
www.prolifeaction.org

POST ABORTION HELP

www.afterabortion.com (Elliot Institute)
www.rachelsvineyard.org
www.AbortionPillReversal.com

ABORTION BREAST CANCER LINK

www.abortionbreastcancer.com

PREGNANCY/ADOPTION/HOSPICE SUPPORT

Visit www.MaineRightToLife.com for a complete listing of support centers

HOUSING

www.godparenthomeme.com
www.mercymultiplied.com
www.mothersetonhouse.com

ADOPTION SERVICES

www.caringadoptions.org
www.bethany.org
www.chask.org
www.mainechildrenshome.org

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

www.hh76.com
www.lifecyclebooks.com

EUTHANASIA

www.PatientsRightsCouncil.org
www.PatientsRightsAction.org
www.epcc.ca
www.lifeandhope.com (Terri Schiavo)
www.nrlc.org/euthanasia/willtolive
www.MaineHospiceCouncil.org

YOUTH

www.teenbreaks.com
www.liveaction.org
www.studentsforlife.org
www.standupgirl.com
www.abstinence.net
www.medinstitute.org

STEM CELLS/CLONING/M.A.P.

www.stemcellresearch.org
www.morningafterpill.org

SOME OTHER PRO-LIFE SITES

www.priestsforlife.org
www.usccb.org
www.blackgenocide.org
www.hearts4life.org
www.probikersforlife.com
www.christianliferesources.com
www.40daysforlife.com
www.silentscream.org
www.operationoutcry.org
www.roevwade.org
www.abortionresearch.com
www.sba-list.org

THE TRUTH ABOUT PLANNED 'BARREN'HOOD

www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.com
www.fightpp.org
www.stopp.org

FEELING CALLED TO HELP – BUT NOT SURE WHAT YOU CAN DO?

We hear this all the time: "I'm Pro-Life – but don't know what I can do to advance the cause". If this is you - this section is for you!

Here at Maine Right to Life, we tell people, we are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women. When you bring those red letters together, they spell: LAW! The truth is – we need to change laws at the state and federal level to save lives from womb to tomb.

Amid a very hostile political landscape, Maine Right to Life embraces the old adage: You catch more bees with honey, than you do with vinegar. The truth is on our side. Life is winning. The mainstream media narrative wants people to believe that abortion is women's reproductive healthcare, and the key to women's happiness is their right to control their body and what goes on in it. What the mainstream media sells short is the awesome power that only biological women have: The gift of their womb to bring precious and innocent new life into the world.

People inherently know the joy that a newborn brings. There is nothing happy and liberating about destroying new life in a woman's womb. And people naturally know this! The truth is: The majority of people are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice" – they may tell you, personally, they would never have an abortion, however they support a woman's right. Their support comes from the rhetoric that surrounds the issue; and for a variety of reasons, they aren't comfortable discussing the topic. You can be their breath of fresh air!

And, there is no time better than right now! Covid-19 has caused many people to suffer in silence. Some may suffer abortion remorse. Others facing an unplanned pregnancy may be feeling confused and in search of more hopeful options. Feelings of loss, isolation, depression, despair and hopeless-ness have led to record numbers of drug overdose deaths, suicide, and crime. Covid-19 has given rise to all of these conditions. People need to know that help is available. We can be a beacon of light and hope!

Please renew your membership, complete a volunteer form, and spread this good news resource to your friends. It's time to stand tall for life – together!

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Let us protect the precious gift of Life

Children long for somebody to accept them, to love them, to praise them.

Let us bring the child back to the center of our care and concern.

This is the ONLY way the world can survive because our children are the only hope of the future. *Mother Teresa*

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Here are **10 ways that you can help** spread the Pro-Life message to change minds, hearts and also laws:

1. **Educate yourself and others.** Click on the many links in this resource directory, and share this directory. Listen to some podcasts: National Review – For Life, Alexander Desanctis discusses social policy, the Pro-Life movement, religion and culture, Ben Shapiro, of the Daily Wire destroys the abortion argument, pick up Randy Alcorn's book, *ProLife Answers to Pro Choice Argument*
2. **Forge relationships with your local State Representative and State Senator.** No matter where they are on this issue, seek out a meaningful relationship with them. Thank them for serving – via email, personal notes, phone, or over coffee. If they are elected, they are serving you. Share your personal story about why you are Pro-Life, ask them to support Pro-Life legislation, ask them to vote against Pro-Abortion legislation. Commit today to get to know them. We've made this easy for you! See p.42-53. Also, consider helping a Pro-Life candidate get elected or re-elected. Get familiar with the bills before the legislature – both for and against Pro-Life issues. See bills p.41. Become familiar with how an idea YOU have, can become a bill, and then becomes a law p.38-39.
3. **Use your voice!** Write a letter to your editor in your local newspaper, or write an op-ed piece in a publication. Consider testifying before a legislative committee on a piece of legislation. See tips on p.34-36.
4. **Start a Pro-Life Book Club!** Why not read and discuss a good Pro-Life book together. Some good recommendations: *Subverted*, by Sue Ellen Browder, *Unplanned*, by Abby Johnson, *Life is Winning*, by Marjorie Dannenfelser, *Blackout*, by Candace Owens, *You Carried Me – A daughters memoir*, by Melissa Ohden – to name just a few! Do you have a book to recommend? We'd love to hear from you!
5. **Start a Pro-Life Chapter in your area**. Maine Right to Life is looking to form local chapters around the state. We provide training and resources – taking tips provided here, together we can grow together and hone our Pro-Life promotion skills. Please contact us to learn more!
6. **Harness the power of social media:** Though challenging today with recent censorship, we encourage you to share information on social media.
7. **Sidewalk counseling** with organizations, such as 40 days for Life, offer prayers and counseling outside abortion facilities. Participants stand at these facilities to let women know "we're here to help" – offering love, prayers, resources in Maine, hope, and options.
8. **Support Adoption.** Have you ever considered adopting a child? Imagine a women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy hearing the words: "I'll adopt your baby!" Though adoption may not be a realistic option for you, become familiar with Adoption Partners here in Maine p.57.
9. **Organize a walk in your community or set up a booth at a fair!** Contact us!
10. **Participate in our Annual Programs!** We love seeing people at Hands Around the Capitol, Respect Life Day at the Capitol, Community Walks, and Convention. While Covid-19 has put a damper on activities, we are hard at work, behind the scenes putting together resources that spread the Pro-Life message.

Letters to the Editor

How to write a letter to the editor in your local newspaper:

This guide provides links to many local newspapers' email addresses. Here are some tips: Most newspapers limit your word count to 250 words. Check with your specific newspaper. Letters to the editor are widely read, and are a great way to get the Pro-Life message out. A well written, thoughtful, compassionate piece can soften the narrative that depicts Pro-Life advocates as angry, judgmental religious zealots who have no compassion for women. Here are some helpful tips to keep your message positive and well received:

Go for the low hanging fruit! You won't convince the staunch abortion supporter. The majority of people don't identify as strongly Pro-Life or Pro-Abortion, rather – they are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice": They know in their heart that abortion is wrong, but for a variety of reasons, aren't comfortable saying so. Focus on one main idea, and provide supporting information. Consider your letter to be the vehicle that enlightens them that others feel as they do, and it is okay to say so!

Focus on the goal! Yes – we share a long-term goal of living in a culture where life is respected and protected from conception to natural death. When writing to the general public, present the issue as a human rights issue rather than a religious issue. There are people of every religious and political persuasion, as well as atheists. We can broaden our audience and convince more people when we simply focus on justice and reason.

Link to newspaper email list for submitting letters to the editor.

Tips for Effective Writing

- Be Charitable and Respectful.
- Stick to one main topic, supported by a few relevant points.
- Keep your audience in mind.
- Keep your goal in mind by
  - —correcting misinformation
  - —presenting information not widely know outside the pro-life movement
  - —being a credit to the movement by a clear respectful presentation of facts
- Present pro-life issues as human rights issues, not religious issues.
  - —Remember, you re trying to persuade people who do not share your religious beliefs.
  - —Recognize that in every human heart is an inate sense of justice, right and wrong, and the power to reason.
  - —By appealing to this reason and justice, you can win over people who will not be touched by religious arguments.

SAMPLE PRO-LIFE LETTERS!

Stem Cell Research...

I am writing to urge people to support life-saving stem cell research using adult stem cells and umbilical cord blood - not life-destroying *embryonic* stem cell research.

There is no controversy about the use of adult stem cells or cells obtained from umbilical cord blood; they are harvested with no harm to the donor, unlike embryonic stem cells, which are harvested by killing the embryos they are taken from.

Adult stem cells have been used successfully to treat at least 65 medical conditions including multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and 23 different types of cancer. Even though private funds have been poured into embryonic stem cell research for years, and some people want to take our tax dollars and pour more money into this research, there has not been one successful cure attributed to use of embryonic stem cells. In fact, evidence is that there are such serious problems associated with their use, such as uncontrollable tumor formation in the recipient, that cures from them are not likely to be seen for years, if ever.

Why would we want to support research that has an unlikely potential for success and that many feel is unethical when we have an alternative that is already working?

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Assisted Suicide . . .

I am sure that the proponents of physician-assisted suicide are motivated by compassion for the suffering of the severely disabled, or those near the end of a fatal illness. This proposal, however, is not in the interests of the sufferers themselves, and would ultimately be bad for society as a whole.

Studies show that those who request suicide are motivated not by the severity of their suffering, but by depression, which is highly treatable. Most such patients prefer to live once the depression has been treated. This law would pressure many who are severely disabled or close to death to choose suicide against their true wishes, in order to spare relatives the expense of continuing their medical treatment. Insurance companies would be tempted to steer people to doctor-administered suicide rather than treatments costing many thousands of dollars.

This law would have further consequences as well. By making doctors both protectors and takers of life, it would subvert patients' trust in their doctors. Finally, it would send a message that life is not a fundamental human right, but something that we should surrender (or that can be taken from us) when our lives become inconvenient. Consider the Netherlands, which in a few short decades has "progressed" from voluntary suicide to a point where doctors, on their own initiative, euthanize terminal patients or severely disabled babies.

Rather than passing this mis-guided and dangerous law, let us all work together to find ways to alleviate the suffering of those facing death in ways that respect human life.

Maine Right to Life Committee

Abortion . . .

Abortion advocates claim that the abortion issue is not about what is right or wrong, but about "who decides --the woman or the state?"

These people don't seem to realize why the government exists. Since the U.S. government is based on the Constitution, we can assume that the Preamble says some important things about the purpose of government.

One purpose is to "establish justice."

What justice is there in a system that allows innocent people to be harmed at the whim of others? Just because women are bigger and stronger, should they be allowed to kill their own children? Because men wield more financial and political power, should women be abandoned to the despair of abortion?

What justice is there in a system that allows men to combine career and parenthood, yet demands that women choose between prosperity and their children's very lives?

Abortion is the most unjust institution this country has ever established. It pits mothers against their children, women against men, parents against their daughters. It usurps the rights of parents and fathers.

How long are we going to endure the injustice of more than 3,000 innocent people being killed daily? Do we deserve freedom if we abuse it in this way?

These are the questions we need to discuss. Does the government have a right to ban abortion? The better question is, what legitimate government would permit such an atrocity?

PriestsForLife.org

Help us to protect the Little Ones.

How to keep peaceful protest – peaceful:

Those who oppose Pro-Life supporters are on a mission to make us look bad, always. There may be thousands of people peacefully protesting abortion, and the media seeks out the one “bad” person. The media loves to portray Pro-Lifers as angry, judgmental, religious zealots who not only have no compassion for women, only care about stopping abortion to save a baby’s life, and do nothing for women or other’s lives beyond that.

Beware of the messenger who is determined to demonize you. Do not engage with them. Encourage others with you, not to engage with them. All it takes is a few people to become involved with counter demonstrators in a loud confrontation and surprise, surprise the TV cameras are right there. Give them no reason to capture you on film.

If there’s a public order to wear a Covid mask – please wear one. Peaceful non-mask wearing Pro-Lifers have been called hypocrites: *They want to save a fetus’ life, but they don’t care about people dying of Covid-19*.

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Legacy of Life

If you or a family member wish to include Maine Right to Life Committee in your Will, please contact us.

Maine Right to Life Committee
Legacy of Life
P O Box 257
Auburn, ME 04212

Help us continue our life-saving work on behalf of the most vulnerable.

Baby, approximately 10 weeks after conception.

Path of Legislation in Maine

IDEA DEVELOPED

- A legislator decides to sponsor a bill, sometimes at the suggestion of a constituent, interest group, public official or the Governor.
- The legislator may ask other legislators in either House/Senate to join as co-sponsors.

BILL DRAFTED

- At the legislator's direction, the bill is prepared in proper technical form.

BILL INTRODUCED

- The legislator gives the bill to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate.
- The bill is numbered, recommended to a committee, printed, and placed on House/Senate calendar.

COMMITTEE ACTION

- Committee schedules and conducts a public hearing where it accepts testimony supporting and opposing the proposed legislation.

GENERAL ORDER

- The bill is reported to the floor of its origin (House/Senate) where it receives it's first reading.
- Any amendments to the bill are adopted at this time.
- The committee reports the bill to the originating body with one of five recommendations: 1.Ought to Pass (as is) 2. Ought to Pass as amended 3. Ought to Pass in New Draft 4. Ought Not to Pass. 5. Refer to Another Committee.

SECOND READING

- The next legislative day the bill is given its second reading and floor amendments may be offered.
- When one chamber has passed the bill to be engrossed, it is sent to the other body for its consideration.
- The House has a consent calendar for unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as amended bills which takes the place of First and Second readings.

SECOND CHAMBER

- The bill goes through a similar process in the second chanber. If the second chamber amends the bill, it is returned to the first chamber for a vote on the changes.
- It may then be sent to a conference committee to work out a compromise agreeable to both chambers.
- A bill receives final legislative approval when it passes both chambers in identical form.

GOVERNOR

- After final passage (enactment) the bill is sent to the Governor.
- The Governor has ten days in which to sign or veto the bill.
- If the Governor does not sign the bill and the Legislature is still in session, the bill after ten days becomes law as if the Governor signed it.
- If the Legislature has adjourned for the year the bill does not become law. This is called a "pocket veto." If the Legislature comes back into special session, the Governor on the 4th day must deliver a veto message to the chamber of origin or the bill becomes law.

LAW

- A bill becomes law 90 days after the end of the legislative session in which it was passed.
- A bill can become law immediately if the Legislature, by a 2/3 vote of each chamber, declares that an emergency exists. An emergency law takes effect on the date the Governor signs it unless otherwise spec ified in its text.
- If a bill is vetoed, it will become law if the Legislature overrides the veto by a 2/3 vote of those members present and voting of both chambers.

Legislation

How to get familiar with bills in the legislature:

This session, there are at least 11 Pro-Life bills – and more still coming. There are three Pro-Abortion bills that we are following as well.

When contacting your legislator, please do the following:

- In the subject line state: Support (or oppose) the LD # *NOTE: Currently, a number of bills have not yet been assigned LD #'s this session. This link will provide you an update, and let you know when the hearing is.*
- In the body, be courteous, and thank them for their service – state your reasons for or against.
- Be sure to include your name and your town at the end of your email and/or letter. This is very important! Legislators receive a lot of mail and they pay very close attention to people who are their constituents.

Congressman Henry Hyde

(Founder of the Hyde Amendment)

"When the time comes, as it surely will,

when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment,

I've often thought, as Fulton Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness.

You have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God --

and a terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine.

But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone.

I think there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world

but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world --

and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement.

They will say to God, 'Spare him, because he loved us!'"

Bills we are following this session – and what you can do about them!

Here are the bills we support:

Senator Trey Stewart

LD 825: *An Act to Ensure Equity in Women's Health Care Access in Maine by Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients of Options and Alternatives.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Abigail Griffin

LD 851: *An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed of Abortion Pill Reversal.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

*LD : *An Act to Require Certain Medical Providers To Administer Ultrasounds and Provide Information to Pregnant Patients.*

Representative MaryAnne Kinney

*LD : *An Act To Protect Infants Who Are Born Alive Immediately Following Birth.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

LD 1401: *An Act To Prohibit Biological Males from Participating in School Athletic Programs and Activities Designated for Females at Schools That Receive Federal Funding .*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Senator Scott Cyrway

LD 1225 : *An Act To Provide Dignity for Fetal Remains by Requiring Their Interment or Cremation.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Representative Kathy Javner

LD 748: *An Act To Remove Coverage Under The MaineCare Program For Abortions Not Covered By Medicaid.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Billy Bob Faulkingham

LD 915: *An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Beth O'Connor

LD 926: An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports.

Committee: EDU email: EDU@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Samuel Baker – Phone: 207-287-3125

Senator Lisa Keim

LD 1238: *An Act To Protect Women's Single-sex Shelters.*

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LD 560: *An Act To Amend the Safe Haven Laws.*

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LD 1064: *An Act to Advance Palliative Care Utilization in The State.*

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LD 811: *An Act To Protect the Reproductive Rights and Freedoms of Maine People.*

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LD 344: *Resolution, Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on The Sex Of An Individual.*

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LD 1538**:** *An Act To Protect the Rights of People Who Are LGBTQ in Maine.*

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- Here is a live link to instructions, that will lead you through to actually uploading your testimony and sending directly to the committee.
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Rejected	Lankford Amdt. - Hyde Amendment Protections on Provisions of COVID-19 Reconciliation 03/06/2021	Y	√
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/06/2021	N	√
Rejected	Sasse Amendment - Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/04/2021	Y	√
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act 02/25/2020	N	X
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2020	Y	√
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2019	Y	√
Rejected	The No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act 01/17/2019	N	X
Confirmed	Confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh as Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court 10/06/2018	Y	√
Rejected	Denial of federal funds to abortion providers (Paul Amendment) 08/23/2018	N	X
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week ban) 01/29/2018	N	X

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Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 03/17/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Final Passage COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/10/2021	Y	X
Passed	H.R. 1, the So-Called "For the People Act of 2021" (restrictions on free speech) 03/03/2021	Y	X
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 02/27/2021	Y	X
Passed	The So-Called "Equality Act" 02/25/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Heroes Act - Abortion expanding provisions 10/01/2020	Y	X
Passed	Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Conscience/Title X/DC Hyde Amendment 07/31/2020	Y	X
Passed	Tax Subsidies for Abortion-Promoting Groups Overseas 07/24/2020	Y	X
Passed	Obamacare Expansion and Drug Price Controls 06/29/2020	Y	X
Failed	MTR Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/28/2020	N	X
Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 02/13/2020	Y	X
Failed	EPA Water Regulations and Unborn Children 01/10/2020	N	X

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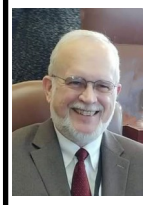

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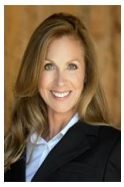

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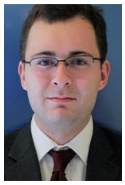

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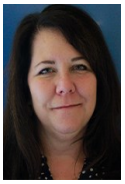

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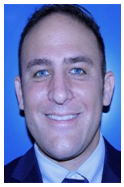

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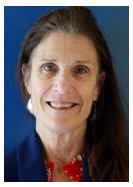

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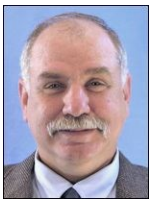

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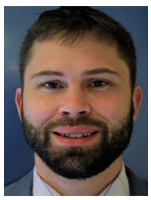

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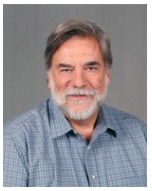

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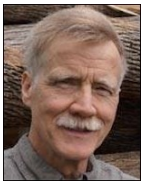

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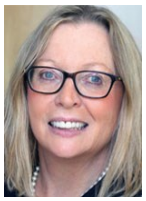

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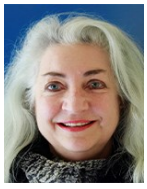

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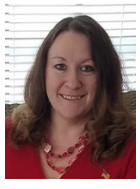

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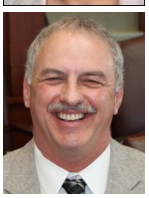

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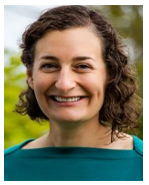

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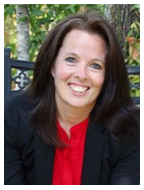

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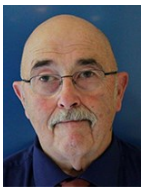

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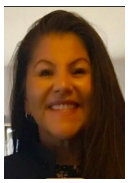

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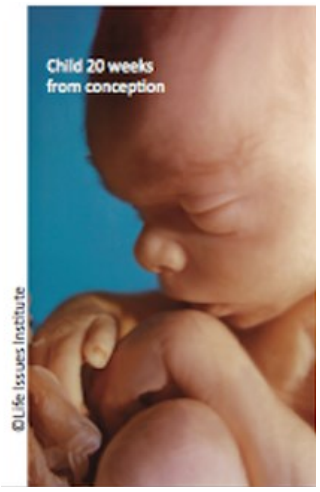

We Believe…

WOMEN facing an unwanted pregnancy deserve all the facts, and have the right to be fully informed before making this life or death decision for themselves and their unborn child.

WOMEN deserve compassionate and thorough counseling without being subjected to undue influence by groups who profit by directing the outcome towards abortion.

WOMEN should feel comfortable and respected for choosing life and never made to feel guilty or undeserving regarding their decision.

WOMEN deserve our support when their choice is life!
Women have earned and deserve accommodation at work, on campuses and in the community when choosing life.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT AGENCIES IN MAINE

AUGUSTA

Open Arms Pregnancy Center
Pat Bonny, Director
99 Bangor St Augusta, ME 04330 Phone: 207-620-1600 Email: info@openarmspc.org Web: www.openarmspc.org

BANGOR

First Step Pregnancy Resource Center
Penni Hill, Director
336 Mount Hope Ave. Suite 8 Bangor, ME 04401-4237 Phone: 207-942-1611
Email: info@firststepbangor.com Web: www.firststepbangor.com

Godparent Home Ministries
Barbara Ford, Director
PO Box 616 Bangor, ME 04402 Phone/Crisis line: 949-CARE (2273)
Email: shepherdsgodparenthome@gmail.com Web: www.godparenthomeme.com

BIDDEFORD

St. Andre Home
Sister Terry Gauvin, Executive Director
168 Prospect St. Biddeford, ME 04005
For info. about the *Center for Parenting and Play or Hope Rising (a residential treatment program for survivors* of human trafficking), contact: Anna Casey (207) 282-3351 Email: acasey@saintandrehome.org

BRUNSWICK

Care Net of Mid-Coast Maine
Sue Morley, Director
PO Box 969, 7 Cumberland St Brunswick, ME 04011-0969 Phone: 207-725-5433 or 800-712-HELP
Email: thecenter@carenetme.org Web: www.carenetme.org

DOVER, NH

Options (Pregnancy, Sexual, and Family Resource Center)
Michael Younus, Executive Director
65 Main St., Dover, NH 03820-3423 Phone/Text: 603-749-4441
Email: via online website form Web: www.optionsforwomen.org

FORT KENT

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Fort Kent)
Lisa Chouinard, Center Director
272 West Main St. Fort Kent, ME 04743 Phone: 207-834-5800 or 1-(800)-300-0220 Web: www.pcc-hope.org

FRYEBURG

Mother Seton House
Cyndi Broyer, Director
PO Box 673 Fryeburg, ME 04037 Phone: 207-935-1066 Email: info@mothersetonhouse.com Web: www.MotherSetonHouse.com

HOULTON

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Houlton Center)
Cyndee Randall, Center Director
PO Box 633, 56 Military St, Houlton, ME 04730 Phone: 207-532-6380 or 1-(800)-300-0220 Web: www.pcc-hope.org

LEWISTON

Hope House's Family Support Center / Women's Free Health Clinic
Bruce & Jan Willson
91 College St, Lewiston, ME 04240 Phone: 207-577-1165 Email: hopehouse17@gmail.com Web: www.hopehousemaine.com

PORTLAND

ABBA—A Women's Resource Center
Jenny Pratt, Executive Director
1250 Forest Ave. Portland, ME 04103 Phone: 207-253-5555 or 800-712-HELP Or text 207-200-5746
Email: answergirl@abbapregnancychoice.org Web: www.abbapregnancychoice.org

Catholic Charities Maine—Birthline
Michael Smith, Director of Mission
PO Box 10660, 307 Congress St Portland, ME 04104 Phone: 1-800-781-8550 x2672
Email: psm@ccmaine.org Web: www.ccmaine.org/psm

Project Rachel, Diocese of Portland
Post-Abortive Ministry & Rachel's Vineyard Retreats
510 Ocean Ave. Portland, ME 04103
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Phone: 207-774-2420 (confidential voicemail)
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Phone: 207-754-1828 (confidential voicemail)
Email: projectrachel@portlanddiocese.org Web: www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel

PRESQUE ISLE

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook
(Presque Isle Center)
Charlis Sullivan, Executive Director
PO Box 1553, 184 Academy St Presque Isle, ME 04769-1553 Phone: 207-764-0022 or (800)300-0220
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ROCKPORT

Zoe, A Womne's Center
Leah Carle, Executive Director
1056 Commercial St. Rockport, ME 04856 Phone: 207-594-1616 or 1-800-712-HELP Email: info@Zoe.support
Crisis web: www.pregnancydecisionline.org Web: www.ZoeAWomensCenter.org

SANFORD

Alpha PRC
Tina Williams, Executive Director
6 B Washington St, Suite 100, Sanford, ME 04073-3021 Phone: 207-324-5752
Email: alpha@gwi.net Web: www.alpha-prc.com

WATERVILLE

First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center
Wendy Merrill, Executive Director
Penny Hill Park, 295 Kennedy Memorial Dr. Suite 2, Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: 207-872-5070
Email: info@firstchoicepregnancycenter.org Web: www.firstchoicepregnancycenter.org

ADOPTION SERVICES

CANDIA, NH

Bethany Christian Services: Pregnancy Support and Adoption Services
183 High St. / PO Box 320, Candia, NH 03034 Phone: (603) 483-2886
Email: via online form Web: www.bethany.org/candia

GRAY, ME

Adoption Partners of Maine
PO Box 617 Gray, ME 04039 Phone: 1-888-635-6935 24/7 Hotline: 1-844-300-LOVE (5683)
Email: support@adoptionpartnersofmaine.org Web: www.AdoptionPartnersOfMaine.org

WATERVILLE, ME

The Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers
93 Silver St. Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: (207) 873-4253
Email: via web form Web: www.MaineChildrensHome.org

YARMOUTH, ME

Adoption Solutions of Maine
253 Main St. Yarmouth, ME 04096 Phone/Text: (207) 400-6803
Email: via online form Web: www.AdoptionSolutionsofME.org

HOSPICE SERVICES

Beacon Hospice Care (an Amedisys Company)
245 Center St. Ste.10A Auburn, ME 04210 Phone: (207) 784-4242
Web: https://locations.amedisys.com/me/auburn/beacon-hospice-care.html

Hospice of Southern Maine
390 US Route One, Scarborough, ME 04074 Phone: (207) 289-3640 Toll free: 1-866-621-7600
Email: info@hospiceofsouthernmaine.org Web: www.hospiceofsouthernmaine.org

Maine General Home Care and Hospice
Hathaway Creative Center 10 Water St., Waterville, ME 04901 Phone: 1-877-561-7299
Web: www.MaineGeneral.org

Androscoggin Home HealthCare and Hospice
15 Strawberry Ave. Lewiston, ME 04240 Phone: (207) 777-7740 or 1-800-482-7412
Email; via online form Web: www.Androscoggin.org

Why Being a Member is so Important...

- More members = louder voices!
- Your membership gives another voice to innocent and vulnerable lives lost to abortion and euthanasia.
- Meet inspiring advocates who are pro-life, pro-active, and pro-woman.
- Become informed about Right to Life policy issues at the national and state level.
- Receive support and education to help you engage and promote life in a loving, caring, compassionate, and non-judgmental way.
- Together we can and will turn the tide from a culture of death to a culture of life!
- Please Join Today. And tell your friends to join too!

Annual Membership

☐ Individual.....$35

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Maine Right to life organizes and is involved in a variety of programs and activities throughout the state. The following are some of those programs and/or ideas of things to get involved in to support Pro-Life Maine. Please indicate if you have any interest.

General:

___**40 Days for Life Program:** Maine Right to Life supports this program of peaceful prayer in front of an abortion clinic/ Planned Parenthood. Augusta (spring)____ Portland (fall)____ Bangor (fall)____

___**Mother's Day Project:** Maine Right to Life distributes flowers through church parishes and other groups to honor motherhood. Occurs in May. Are you affiliated with a church/parish or group?
Parish/group Name:_____Location:_____

___**Celebrate Life Walk:** Make celebrating the gift of life visible in your community. Walks happen statewide in July. I'm interested in ____being a walker _____organizing a walk in my area

___**Write a letter** to the editor/op-ed about life issues for your local paper.

___**Photographer** at Maine Right to Life events.

___**Distribute** current MRLC Resource Directories to Churches/Organizations

___**Chapter Groups:** Small local groups of volunteers that come together to promote the culture of life In Maine, by going to events contacting legislators and much more.
I am interested in : __Joining the Chapter closest to me __Creating a Chapter in my area.

Legislative:

___**Write** your local state Rep./Sen. and urge them to vote our way on bills in the legislature.
___Once ___On going

___**Come** to Augusta and hold signs in the statehouse on key legislation voting days/hearings.

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Donations have been made in loving memory of the following dearly departed.
Let us honor the lives and memories of our members' loved ones:

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Pleased with SCOTUS Decision to Overturn *Roe v. Wade*

Auburn ME - We are very pleased that the court recognized that abortion on demand was never a part of the constitution. Overturning Roe does not prohibit abortions. Rather, the Court's decision will allow states to pass Pro-Life legislation. It goes back to the people and state legislature, and it allows states to choose abortion policy representative to the citizens.

This is a victory for women, the unborn and the Pro-Life movement that has worked so hard to save and promote life. For far too long, pro-abortion groups have gotten away with the sky-is-falling argument that overturning Roe would outlaw abortions or reverse "abortion rights". They wanted people to believe that reversing Roe would automatically outlaw abortion.

Polls consistently show that there has never been majority support for the holding of *Roe* which was abortion on demand throughout all 9 months of pregnancy. In a 2021 Marist Poll, 76% of respondents opposed abortion on demand and would limit abortion to the first three months of pregnancy (25%), only in cases of the life of the mother, rape, or incest (28%), only to save the life of the mother (11%) or felt that they should never be permitted in any circumstance (12%).

A lot has changed since Roe was decided. In 1973, the technology didn't exist to allow babies to survive outside the womb at 21 or 22 week's gestation. With scientific advancement, more babies are surviving prior to what was once considered "viability". While some have changed their position on abortion with this knowledge, many members of the public, as well as women contemplating abortion may not realize how developed a baby is at various stages of pregnancy. At 15-weeks of gestation, a baby's heart has been beating for over two months. Brain waves are detectable at 8 weeks. At nine weeks a baby is kicking and swimming. At 10 weeks a baby can begin to hear. Women deserve to get accurate information when facing an unplanned pregnancy. So they can make an informed choice that they can live with a feel good about.

In this age of promoting choice to women facing unplanned pregnancy, women deserve to know all of their choices – that they have options, and that abortion is not women's reproductive healthcare. Knowledge is power, and many people have come to see this issue differently based on what they have come to know and experience.

America has grown from the atrocities of slavery and changed. America can grow from the atrocities of abortion and change as well. The Supreme Court decision is the first step. The next step is to educate and heal. God bless America.

Roe v. Wade Overturned by Supreme Court

The Christian Civic League of Maine has always been committed to the basic belief that every human life is sacred and worth protecting, from conception to natural death. Because human choices cannot morally infringe upon a human life, the Christian Civic League has consistently fought for providing alternatives to women who are faced with the heartbreaking choice between their future and the life of another.

It is true that in the age when *Roe v. Wade* was first decided, these alternatives may not have been so obvious. Today, however, it is becoming increasingly difficult to ignore the growing number of pregnancy centers and couples waiting to adopt. The existence of these resources make the choice to kill a child one that need not even be considered.

This is why the Christian Civic League is encouraged by the Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson*. Even though the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* would not immediately affect the rights of the unborn in Maine, it will create a platform to begin a conversation over whether those rights ought to be protected. In the words of Policy Director Mike McClellan, "While this would end the Federal presence in the abortion fight, the battle would simply now fall to the states."

As the debate over the rights of the unborn continues, the Christian Civic League plans to continue to support and promote ways to help women in crisis other than abortion. Our hope is that the willingness of churches and communities to assist women in crisis will make it obvious that every child can be guaranteed a loving family from conception to natural death.

Those seeking to obtain the official statement from the Christian Civic League of Maine should contact Barbara Ford, Executive Director at Godparent Home Ministries, at +1 (207) 949-2243

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Dave Guthro, Communications Director

Statement from Bishop Deeley on the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* Supreme Court Decision

June 24, 2022

Today's decision reaffirms the truth that every life is sacred, and it promotes protection for women and children from the grave injustice of abortion. We welcome the possibility of saving the lives of countless unborn children as well as sparing many women and families from pain. The Diocese of Portland will continue to accompany any woman, regardless of faith, who is experiencing difficulties in pregnancy through our various Catholic agencies in Maine, including pregnancy help centers and parish-based initiatives like Walking with Moms in Need. As well, we will support and assist those who have been involved in an abortion through our Project Rachel program. God is merciful, and it is of paramount importance that people who experience distress grow in understanding of this truth and are guided on a path to emotional and spiritual healing.

To learn more about programs and initiatives in the Diocese of Portland and across the country that care for and promote healing for women and families in need, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/DobbsDecision.

CONCERNED WOMEN for AMERICA
LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 24, 2022

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Penny Morrell (207) 465-6015

Concerned Women for America of Maine
Applauds the SCOTUS Decision to Overturn *Roe v. Wade*

Belgrade, Maine - Maine stands ready to welcome women and unborn children. Concerned Women for America (CWA) of Maine calls on our citizens, members of the Maine Legislature, and the Executive Branch to strongly support a culture of life that protects all.

CWA of Maine State Director Penny Morrell, speaking for Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee, has this to say concerning the Supreme Court *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision:

"The Supreme Court has finally overturned *Roe*, and now it is up to us, the people of Maine, to do our part. We must now work tirelessly to elect legislators and a governor who support the culture of life. We are pro-women, pro-babies, and pro-families. We support life from conception to natural death and pregnancy centers that help women make the best decision to keep their babies. Adoption and many other options are available that better serve families.

"The *Dobbs* decision will allow the citizens of Maine to debate and discuss this issue with their state legislators. Decisions about abortion going forward will be made by Mainers, not by judges. That is something worth celebrating!"

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Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee is the legislation and advocacy arm of Concerned Women for America, the Nation's largest public policy organization for women; we are dedicated to promoting Biblical values and Constitutional principles. More information is available at ConcernedWomen.org.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I was a child, we played Opposite Day – everything said meant the opposite. The Pro-Abortion lobby plays this game and has been for a very long time. Their play on words hijacked the woman's movement, killed more than 63 million unborn babies, and changed the social order of society. They've influenced and disguised public policy, manipulated minds, and divided the country. It's time to recognize the lies, heal the wounds, and rise above the pain. There is hope. Join us!

Our beautiful state slogan is "***Maine – the way life should be.***" Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one of four states where deaths/year is greater than births. On average, there are 5.6 babies hoping to be born every day in Maine; instead, they are thrown away. Is this really the way life should be? We can change this!

Planned Parenthood's name implies a focus on family; they claim they provide "Women's Reproductive Healthcare." Both are deceptive lies. "Reproductive" is producing an offspring, certainly NOT killing babies. They are not only anti-family; they are the number one provider of abortions in the US, and they receive millions in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood also allegedly touts Black Lives Matter, yet their founder, Margaret Sanger, is a noted racist.

The Pro-Abortion lobby wants to write ERA into Maine's constitution. They've already tried several times, but they aren't giving up. Warning: This is NOT the ERA movement of the 1970's. Today's ERA could best be dubbed: **E**verything **R**elated to **A**bortion. It doesn't protect women; it hurts them. There are efforts to bring this to a state referendum. This is dangerous. Maine's future depends on us, you and me, defeating this measure!

And now some good news: Our Country is on the cusp of overthrowing Roe v. Wade. While we really hope it happens, some people are wondering what this would means for Maine? If Roe is overthrown, it simply means abortion policy and laws will revert to our state's existing laws; each state will be able to decide what works best for them. It is widely understood that Roe v. Wade was a bad decision from day one. The bad news is, currently, Maine has laws in place for Roe v. Wade to carry on in Maine if the court decision is overturned. **The people we elect to represent us in the Maine State Legislature matters**. Get to know your state lawmakers. Please consider running for office, encourage others to run, and support our Pro-Life candidates!

When we shift our focus to a culture of life, we begin to imagine Maine beyond Roe. When we shift taxpayer dollars that fund abortion today to Maine's pregnancy resource centers and adoption agencies tomorrow, and when we shift our attention to help post-abortive women heal with love, hope, redemption, and confidence to speak the truth, we heal Maine. Abortion does NOT give women freedom and empowerment; It hurts women, and it kills our state.

Maine – The Way Life Should Be cannot afford to fall prey to Opposite Day. Mainers deserve truth. Together let's keep our eyes on the prize – our culture of life. Thank you to our members, advertisers, patron donors and sponsor partners. Just as a baby in the womb needs its mother, without you, Maine Right to Life would not exist.

Join us!

Karen Vachon

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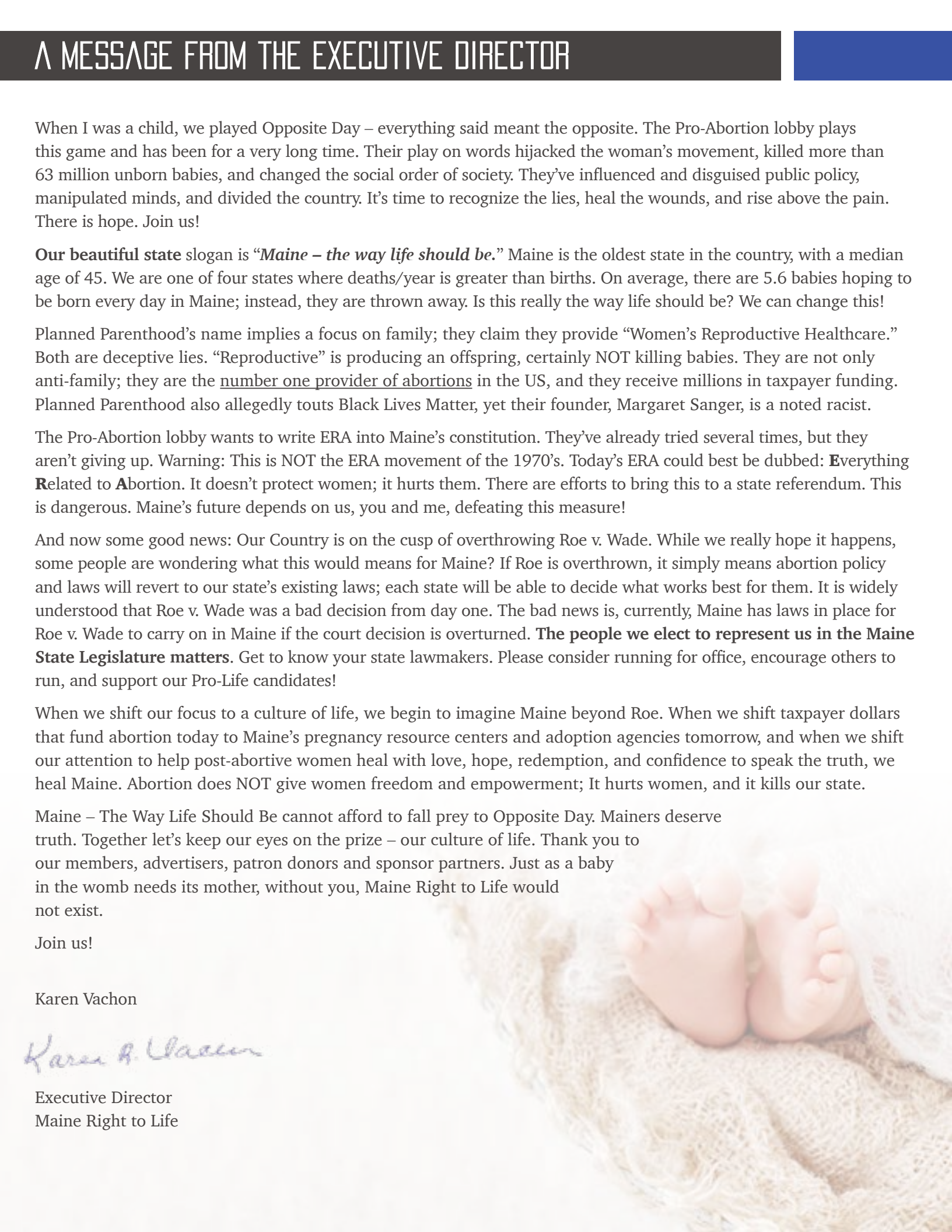

MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

PRO-WOMEN

Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Last year, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Most recently, a 22-year old Pennsylvania transgender swimmer took America's top trophy in university sports dashing the hopes of every other woman in the competition. Those who dare speak up against this are verbally assaulted.

What has gotten confused in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

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ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

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On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

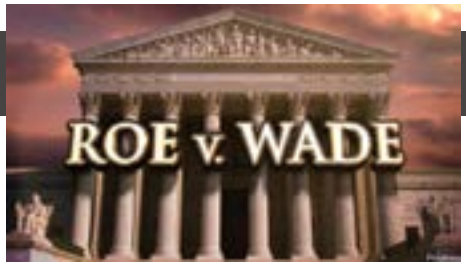
> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
>
> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

BE IN THE KNOW WITH ROE AND DOE!



Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

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STATE SENATE D13	David Levesque	Newcastle
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STATE SENATE D33	Matthew A. Harrington	Sanford
	Kendra A. Williams	Sanford
STATE SENATE D34	Bradley Scott Ducharme	Kennebunk
	Joseph E. Rafferty Jr.	Kennebunk
STATE SENATE D35	Mark W. Lawrence	Eliot
	Julie Rakic	Kittery

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STATE REP D1	Toby D. Jandreau	Fort Kent
	Austin L. Theriault	Fort Kent
STATE REP D2	Roger Clarence Albert	Madawaska
	Bernard Paradis	Cross Lake
STATE REP D3	Mark Michael Babin	Fort Fairfield
	David H. McCrea	Fort Fairfield
STATE REP D4	Timothy C. Guerrette	Caribou
	Jordyn Victoria Rossignol	Caribou
STATE REP D5	Kevin Gregory Freeman	Presque Isle
	Joseph F. Underwood	Presque Isle
STATE REP D6	Donald J. Ardell	Monticello
STATE REP D7	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton
	Gregory L. Swallow	Houlton
STATE REP D8	Tracy Lynn Quint	Hodgdon
	Kevin B. Ritchie	Lee
STATE REP D9	John Victor Chambers	Calais
	Anne C. Perry	Calais
STATE REP D10	Kenneth Ralph Davis Jr.	East Machias
STATE REP D11	Kendall M. Alley	Machias
	Roland Eben Rogers III	Jonesport
	Tiffany Strout	Harrington
STATE REP D12	Billy Bob Faulkingham	Winter Harbor
STATE REP D13	John Linnehan	Ellsworth
	Barbara W. Reeve	Ellsworth
STATE REP D14	Stephen A. Coston	Bar Harbor
	Duncan G. Haass	Lamoine
	Lynne A. Williams	Bar Harbor

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D15	Holly Eaton	Deer Isle
	Jason Manantan Joyce	Swan's Island
STATE REP D16	Stephen M. Hanrahan, III	Brooksville
	Nina Azella Milliken	Blue Hill
STATE REP D17	Sherman H. Hutchins	Penobscot
	Pamela W. Person	Orland
STATE REP D18	Meldon H. Carmichael	Greenbush
	Timothy B. Throckmorton	Dedham
STATE REP D19	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington
STATE REP D20	Jennifer Marie Morin	Brewer
	Kevin J.M. O'Connell	Brewer
STATE REP D21	Barbara A. Cardone	Bangor
STATE REP D22	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor
	Laura D. Supica	Bangor
STATE REP D23	David J. Pece	Bangor
	Amy J. Roeder	Bangor
STATE REP D24	Roderick Allen Hathaway	Veazie
	Joseph C. Perry	Bangor
STATE REP D25	Cameron S. Bowie	Orono
	Laurie J. Osher	Orono
STATE REP D26	James F. Dill	Old Town
	Christina M. Ouellette	Bradley
STATE REP D27	Gary Drinkwater	Milford
	Julie Vaillancourt	Milford
STATE REP D28	Natalie D. DiPentino	Enfield
	Jeffery Allen Gifford	Lincoln
STATE REP D29	Kathy Irene Javner	Chester
	Laurie E. York	TA R7 Wels (Dolby)

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D30	W. Louis Sidell Jr.	Guilford
	James Lee White	Guilford
STATE REP D31	Richard A. Evans	Dover-Foxcroft
	Chad Richard Perkins	Dover-Foxcroft
STATE REP D32	Steven D. Foster	Dexter
STATE REP D33	Danny E. Costain	Plymouth
	Donovan E. Todd, III	Etna
STATE REP D34	Abigail W. Griffin	Levant
	Frank LawrenceRoma	Glenburn
STATE REP D35	Candace T. Augustine	Hermon
	James E. Thorne	Carmel
STATE REP D36	Kristen M. Card	Hampden
	David G. Haggan	Hampden
STATE REP D37	Margaret D. English-Flanagan	Winterport
	Kevin J. Kelley	Winterport
	Reagan L. Paul	Winterport
STATE REP D38	Heather Elizabeth Garrold	Knox
	Benjamin C. Hymes	Waldo
	Robyn M. Stanicki	Unity
	Jesse J. Waryck	Brooks
STATE REP D39	Janice S. Dodge	Belfast
	Stephen J. Hemenway	Northport
STATE REP D40	Tricia M. Harrington	Liberty
	Stanley Paige Zeigler Jr.	Montville
STATE REP D41	Susan Lee Butterworth	Camden
	Victoria W. Doudera	Camden
STATE REP D42	Valli D. Geiger	Rockland
	Roger V. Tranfaglia	Rockland
STATE REP D43	Ann Higgins Matlack	St. George
	Heather Anne Sprague	Cushing

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D44	Crystal L. Robinson	Hope
STATE REP D45	Clinton E. Collamore	Waldoboro
	Lynn J. Madison	Waldoboro
STATE REP D46	Lydia V. Crafts	Newcastle
	Merle James Parise, II	Newcastle
STATE REP D47	Edward J. Polewarczyk	Wiscasset
STATE REP D48	Thomas A. Moroney	Boothbay
	Holly B. Stover	Boothbay
	Tricia L. Warren	Boothbay Harbor
STATE REP D49	Allison L. Hepler	Woolwich
	Richard Henry Tetrev	Woolwich
STATE REP D50	Jason E. Desjardins	Bath
	Sean C. Paulhus	Bath
STATE REP D51	Linda L. Baker	Topsham
	Rebecca L. Jauch	Topsham
STATE REP D52	Seth A. Berry	Bowdoinham
STATE REP D53	Jane L. Beckwith	Randolph
	Michael Lemelin	Chelsea
STATE REP D54	Charles J. Bussell	Gardiner
	Karen L. Montell	Gardiner
STATE REP D55	Daniel Joseph Shagoury	Hallowell
	Phillip Ryan Wiseman	Hallowell
	Patrick B. Wynne	Hallowell
STATE REP D56	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales
STATE REP D57	Tavis Rock Hasenfus	Readfield
	Corey S. Wilson	Readfield

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D58	Robert Smith Neal	New Sharon
	Daniel J. Newman	Belgrade
STATE REP D59	Raegan French LaRochelle	Augusta
	Micheal Raymond Michaud	Augusta
	James E. Orr	Augusta
STATE REP D60	William R. Bridgeo	Augusta
	William L. Clardy	Augusta
STATE REP D61	Richard T. Bradstreet	Vassalboro
	Amy J. Davidoff	Vassalboro
STATE REP D62	Katrina J. Smith	Palermo
	Pamela J. Swift	Palermo
	Jennifer V. Tuminaro	China
STATE REP D63	Phillip Bloomstein	Freedom
	Scott Wynn Cyrway	Albion
STATE REP D64	Colleen M. Madigan	Waterville
	Ruth Ann Malcolm	Waterville
STATE REP D65	Tammy Brown	Waterville
	Bruce A. White	Waterville
STATE REP D66	Alicia Barnes	Oakland
	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland
STATE REP D67	Shelley J. Rudnicki	Fairfield
	Robert Sezak	Fairfield
STATE REP D68	Amanda Noelle Collamore	Pittsfield
	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield
STATE REP D69	Dean A. Cray	Palmyra
	Stephen A. Hale	Canaan
STATE REP D70	Iver W. Lofving	Skowhegan
	Jennifer Lynn Poirier	Skowhegan
STATE REP D71	John E. Ducharme, III	Madison
	Allison Mary Perkins	Cornville

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D72	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden
STATE REP D73	Nancy J. Bessey	Dallas Plt.
	Vincent Michael House	Sandy River Plt.
	Michael Soboleski	Phillips
STATE REP D74	Randall C. Hall	Wilton
	Gregory M. Kimber	Temple
STATE REP D75	Tiffany E. Estabrook	Chesterville
	H. Scott Landry	Farmington
STATE REP D76	Tamara N. Hoke	Jay
	Sheila A. Lyman	Livermore Falls
STATE REP D77	Bonita L. Bishop	Hartford
	Jody W. Brown	Canton
	Tammy L. Schmersal-Burgess	Mexico
STATE REP D78	Josanne C. Dolloff	Milton Twp
	David P. Thurston	Bethel
STATE REP D79	Dannie D. Abbott	West Paris
	John E. Andrews	Paris
	Don R. Berry	Sumner
	Ryan G. Ricci	Paris
STATE REP D80	Caldwell Jackson	Oxford
STATE REP D81	H. Sawin Millett, Jr.	Waterford
	Daniel A. Sipe	Norway
STATE REP D82	Nathan Robert Leigh Burnett	Hiram
	Caleb Joshua Ness	Fryeburg
STATE REP D83	Donna Dodge	Denmark
	Sierra Dyan Scribner	Harrison
STATE REP D84	Barry F. Powers	Sebago
	Mark Walker	Naples

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D85	Kimberly J. Pomerleau	Standish
	Christopher V. Struebing	Standish
STATE REP D86	Jessica L. Fay	Raymond
	Gregory E. Foster	Raymond
	Karen L. Lockwood	Raymond
STATE REP D87	David W. Boyer	Poland
STATE REP D88	Patrick W. Munsell	Auburn
	Kathleen A. Shaw	Auburn
STATE REP D89	Adam R. Lee	Auburn
STATE REP D90	Amy Dieterich	Auburn
	Laurel D. Libby	Auburn
STATE REP D91	Hildie J. Lipson	Wayne
	Joshua K. Morris	Turner
STATE REP D92	Thomas Henry Martin Jr.	Greene
	Stephen J. Wood	Greene
STATE REP D93	Margaret M. Craven	Lewiston
	Robert Andrew McCarthy	Lewiston
STATE REP D94	Janet Inger Beaudoin	Lewiston
	Kristen Sarah Cloutier	Lewiston
STATE REP D95	Mana H. Abdi	Lewiston
	Fred O. Sanborn-Silvers	Lewiston
STATE REP D96	Jonathan M. Connor	Lewiston
	John V. Myrand	Lewiston
STATE REP D97	Scott Newman Gaiason	Lisbon
	Richard G. Mason	Lisbon
STATE REP D98	Orion Evenstar Breen	Pownal
	Joseph C. Galletta	Durham
	Guy M. Lebida	Bowdoin

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D99	Stephen Warner Davis	Harpswell
	Cheryl A. Golek	Harpswell
	Michael J. Lawler	Brunswick
	Sheila S. Menair	Harpswell
STATE REP D100	Daniel J. Ankeles	Brunswick
	Andrew Kingman Kaleigh	Brunswick
	Angela D. Lallier	Brunswick
STATE REP D101	Poppy T. Arford	Brunswick
	Ravi Jackson	Brunswick
STATE REP D102	James J. Finegan Jr.	Freeport
	Gina B. LeDuc-Kuntz	Freeport
	Melanie F. Sachs	Freeport
STATE REP D103	Arthur L. Bell	Yarmouth
	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth
STATE REP D104	Amy Bradstreet Arata	New Gloucester
STATE REP D105	Anne Graham	North Yarmouth
	David Lawrence Reed	North Yarmouth
STATE REP D106	Barbara A. Bagshaw	Windham
	Jonathan E. Priest	Windham
	Thomas M. Tyler	Windham
STATE REP D107	Paul C. Fullam	Windham
	Michael David Hall	Windham
STATE REP D108	Stephanie R. Cressey	Gorham
	Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Gorham
STATE REP D109	James Allen Boyle	Gorham
	Joseph Edwards Velozo	Gorham
STATE REP D110	Scott William Jordan	Cumberland
	Stephen W. Moriarty	Cumberland
STATE REP D111	Amy D. Kuhn	Falmouth
	Christopher Mark Storms	Falmouth

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STATE REP D112	W. Edward Crockett	Portland
	Tammy Ryan	Portland
STATE REP D113	Grayson B. Lookner	Portland
STATE REP D114	Benjamin T. Collings	Portland
	Daniel L. Merrill	Portland
STATE REP D115	Michael F. Brennan	Portland
	Andrew Thomas Mahaleris	Portland
STATE REP D116	Dale J. Holman	Portland
	Samuel Lewis Zager	Portland
STATE REP D117	Matthew Moonen	Portland
		Portland
STATE REP D118	Rachel Talbot Ross	Portland
STATE REP D119	Peter Ignatius Doyle	Portland
	Susanne K. Robins	Portland
	Charles A. Skold	Portland
STATE REP D120	Michael J. Dougherty	So. Portland
	Victoria Morales	So. Portland
STATE REP D121	Christopher J. Kessler	So. Portland
	Tammy Walter	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D122	Lois Galgay Reckitt	So. Portland
STATE REP D123	Annie Christy	Cape Elizabeth
	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D124	Lisa Markowski	Scarborough
	Sophia B. Warren	Scarborough
STATE REP D125	Christopher A. Bolduc	Scarborough
	Christopher James Caiazzo	Scarborough

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D126	Jean-Marie Caterina	Scarborough
	Andrew Gattine	Westbrook
	Leslie Eugene Smith Jr.	Saco
STATE REP D127	Ryan C. Poitras	Westbrook
	Morgan J. Rielly	Westbrook
STATE REP D128	Charles William Ellis	Westbrook
	Suzanne M. Salisbury	Westbrook
STATE REP D129	Stephen R. DuPuis	Saco
	Margaret M. O'Neil	Saco
STATE REP D130	Lynn H. Copeland	Saco
	Theodore L. Sirois	Saco
STATE REP D131	Scott B. Eccleston	Old Orchard Beach
	Lori Kathryn Gramlich	Old Orchard Beach
STATE REP D132	Timothy S. Keenan	Biddeford
	Erin R. Sheehan	Biddeford
STATE REP D133	Marc G. Malon II	Biddeford
STATE REP D134	Traci L. Gere	Kennebunkport
	Elizabeth A. Jordan	Kennebunkport
	Ronald C. Russell	Kennebunkport
STATE REP D135	Todd V. DiFede	Kennebunk
	Daniel Sayre	Kennebunk
STATE REP D136	Heidi H. Sampson	Alfred
	Joseph Andrew Wagner	Lyman
STATE REP D137	Nathan M. Carlow	Buxton
	Robert W. Faucher	Buxton
STATE REP D138	Mark John Blier	Buxton
STATE REP D139	Nancy Germaine Piche	Waterboro
	David Woodsome	Waterboro

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STATE REP D140	Wayne R. Parry	Arundel
	Kirstan L. Watson	Arundel
STATE REP D141	Patricia E. Kidder	Sanford
	Lucas John Lanigan	Sanford
	John M. McAdam	Sanford
STATE REP D142	Pamela Diane Buck	Sanford
	Joseph Robert Hanslip	Sanford
STATE REP D143	Wesley John Davie	Sanford
	Matthew J. Toth	Sanford
STATE REP D144	Jeffrey Sean Adams	Lebanon
	Corinna Cole	Lebanon
	Daniel M. Norwood	Acton
STATE REP D145	Daniel J. Hobbs	Wells
	Timothy M. Roche	Wells
STATE REP D146	Bradley S. Moulton	York
	Heath Ryan Ouellette	Ogunquit
	Walter Gerard Runte Jr.	York
STATE REP D147	Paul Hopfgarten	York
	David D. Koopman	York
	Holly T. Sargent	York
STATE REP D148	Thomas A. Lavigne	Berwick
	Margaret Wheeler	Berwick
STATE REP D149	Tiffany Danielle Roberts	So. Berwick
	Mark A. Rouillard	So. Berwick
STATE REP D150	Michele Meyer	Eliot
	David J. Rumery	Eliot
STATE REP D151	Kristi Michele Mathieson	Kittery
	Howard L. Patten	Kittery

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS

Acton	22
Albion	16
Alfred	33
Allagash	1
Alna	13
Alton	8
Amherst	6
Amity	2
Andover	19
Anson	5
Appleton	12
Argyle Township	8
Arundel	32
Ashland	1
Athens	5
Auburn	20
Augusta	15
Aurora	6
Avon	19
Baldwin	22
Bancroft Township	2
Bangor	9
Bar Harbor	7
Belgrade	15
Benton	3
Berwick	34
Bethel	19
Biddeford	32
Bingham	5
Blaine	2
Blue Hill	7
Boorthbay Harbor	13
Boothbay	13
Bradford	4
Bradley	10
Bremen	13
Brewer	10
Bridgewater	2

Bridgton	18
Brighton Plantation	5
Bristol	13
Brooklin	7
Brooksville	7
Brownfield	18
Brunswick	23
Buckfield	19
Bucksport	10
Burlington	8
Buxton	31
Byron	19
Cambridge	5
Camden	12
Canaan	3
Canton	19
Cape Elizabeth	29
Caratunk	5
Caribou	1
Carmel	10
Carrabassett Valley	5
Carroll Plantation	8
Carthage	19
Casco	26
Castine	7
Castle Hill	1
Caswell	1
Central Arrostook UT	2
Central Hancock UT	6
Central Somerset UT	5
Chapman	1
Charleston	4
Chebeague Island	23
Chelsea	14
Chester	2
Chesterville	5
China	15
Clifton	10

Clinton	3
Connor	1
Coplin Plantation	19
Corinna	4
Corinth	4
Cornish	22
Cornville	5
Cranberry Isles	7
Criehaven UT	12
Crystal	2
Cumberland	25
Cushing	12
Cyr Plantation	1
Dallas Plantation	19
Damariscotta	13
Dayton	32
Dedham	10
Deer Isle	7
Denmark	18
Dennistown Plantation	5
Detroit	3
Dexter	4
Dixfield	19
Dixmont	3
Dresden	24
Drew Plantation	2
Durham	20
Dyer Brook	2
Eagle Lake	1
East Central Franklin UT	5
East Central Penobscot UT	8
East Hancock UT	6
East Millinocket	2
Eastbrook Franklin	6
Easton	2
Eddington	10
Edgecomb	13
Edinburg	8

Eliot	35
Ellsworth	7
Embden	5
Enfield	8
Etna	3
eustis	19
Exeter	4
Fairfield	16
Falmouth	25
Farmindale	14
Farmiongton	5
Fayette	17
Fort Fairfield	1
Fort Kent	1
Frechville	1
Freeport	23
Frenchboro	7
Friendship	12
Frye Island	26
Fryeburg	18
Gardiner	14
Garfield Plantation	1
Garland	4
Gilead	19
Glenburn	4
Glenwood Plantation	2
Gorham	30
Gouldsboro	6
Grand Isle	1
Gray	25
Great Pond	6
Greenbush	8
Greene	17
Greenwood	19
Hallowell	14
Hamlin	1
Hammond	2
Hampden	10

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
Lewiston	21

Limerick	22
Limestone	1
Limington	22
Lincoln	8
Lincoln Plantation	19
Linneus	2
Lisbon	17
Litchfield	17
Littleton	2
Livermore	17
Livermore Falls	17
Long Island	25
Long Island	28
Louds Island UT	13
Lovell	19
Lowell	8
Ludlow	2
Lyman	32
Macwahoc Plantation	2
Madawaska	1
Madison	3
Magalloway Plantation	19
Manchester	14
Mapleton	1
Mariaville	6
Mars Mill	2
Marshall Island UT	7
Masardis	1
Matinicus Isle Plantation	12
Mattawamkeag	2
Maxfield	2
Mechanic Falls	18
Medway	2
Mercer	5
Merrill	2
Mexico	19
Milford	8
Millinocket	2
Milton Township	19
Minot	18
Monhegan Plantation	13

Monmouth	14
Monticelo	2
Moose River	5
Moro Plantation	2
Moscow	5
Mount Chase	2
Mount Desert	7
Mount Vernon	15
Muscle Ridge Islands UT	12
Naples	22
Nashville Plantation	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	20
New Limerick	2
New Portland	5
New Sharon	5
New Sweden	1
New Vineyard	5
Newburgh	10
Newcastle	13
Newfield	22
Newport	3
Newry	19
Nobleboro	13
Norridgewock	3
North Berwick	34
North Franklin UT	19
North Haven	12
North Oxford UT	19
North Penobscot UT	2
North Yarmouth'	25
Northeast Somerset UT	5
Northwest Aroostook UT	1
Northwest Hancock UT	6
Northwest Somerset UT	5
Norway	18
Oakfield	2
Oakland	16
Ogunquit	35
Old Orchard Beach	31

Old Town	8
Orient	2
Orland	7
Orono	8
Orrington	10
Osborn	6
Otis	10
Otisfield	18
Owls Head	12
Oxford	18
Palmyra	3
Paris	18
Paronsfield	22
Passadumkeag	8
Patten	2
Penobscot	7
Penobscot Indian Island	8
Perham	1
Peru	19
Phillips	19
Piscataquis Countty	4
Pittsfield	3
Pittston	14
Pleasant Ridge Plantation	5
Plymouth	3
Poland	20
Portage Lake	1
Porter	22
Portland	27
Portland	28
Pownal	23
Prentiss Township	8
Presque Isle	2
Randolph	14
Rangeley	19
Rangely Plantation	19
Raymond	26
Readfield	14
Reed Plantation	2
Ripley	5

Rockland	12
Rockport	12
Rome	5
Roxbury	19
Rumford	19
Sabattus	17
Saco	31
Sagadahoc County	24
Saint Agatha	1
Saint Albans	5
Saint Francis	1
Saint George	12
Saint John Plantation	1
Sandy River Plantation	19
Sanford	33
Scarborough	29
Scarborough	30
Sebago	22
Seboeis Plantation	2
Seboomook Lake UT	5
Sedgwick	7
Shapleigh	22
Sherman	2
Sidney	15
Skowhegan	3
Smithfield	5
Smyrna	2
Solon	5
Somerville	13
Sorrento	6
South Aroostook UT	2

South Berwick	35
South Bristol	13
South Franklin UT	19
South Oxford UT	19
South Portland	29
South Thomaston	12
Southport	13
Southwest Harbor	7
Springfield	8
Square Lake UT	1
Stacyville	2
Standish	22
Starks	5
Stetson	3
Stockholm	1
Stonham	19
Stonington	7
Stow	19
Strong	5
Sullivan	6
Sumner	19
Surry	7
Swans Island	7
Sweden	18
Temple	19
The Forks Plantation	5
Thomaston	12
Tremont	7
Trenton	7
Turner	17

Twombley Rodge Township	8
Union	12
Unity Township	3
Upton	19
Van Buren	1
Vassalboro	15
Veazie	8
Verona Island	7
Vienna	5
Vinalhaven	12
Wade	1
Waldo County	11
Waldoboro	13
Wales	17
Wallagrass	1
Waltham	6
Warren	12
Washburn	1
Washington	13
Washington County	6
Waterboro	33
Waterford	18
Waterville	16
Wayne	14
Webster Plantation	8
Weld	19
Wells	34
West Central Franklin UT	19
West Forks Plantation	5
West Gardiner	14

West Paris	19
Westbrook	26
Westbrook	27
Westfield	2
Westmanland	1
Weston	2
Westport Island	13
Whitefield	13
Whitney Township	8
Wilton	5
Windham	26
Windsor	13
Winn	8
Winslow	16
Winter Harbor	6
Winterville Plantation	1
Winthrop	14
Wiscasset	13
Woodland	1
Woodstock	19
Woodville	2

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HOUSE DISTRICT / TOWNS

Abbot	30
Acton	144
Addison	11
Albion	63
Alexander	10
Alfred	136
Allagash	1
Alna	47
Alton	27
Amherst	18
Amity	8
Andover	73
Anson	72
Anthens	72
Appleton	40
Argyle	27
Arrowsic	49
Arundel	140
Ashland	1
Auburn	88
Auburn	89
Auburn	90
Augusta	59
Augusta	60
Aurora	18
Avon	74
Baileyville	9
Baldwin	84
Bancroft	8
Bangor	21
Bangor	22
Bangor	23
Bangor	24
Bar Harbor	14
Baring	9
Bath	50
Beals	11
Beaver Cove	30

Beddington	18
Belfast	39
Belgrade	58
Belmont	39
Benton	67
Berwick	148
Bethel	78
Biddeford	132
Biddeford	133
Biddeford	134
Bingham	72
Blaine	6
Blanchard	30
Blue Hill	16
Boothbay	48
Boothbay Harbor	48
Bowdoin	52
Bowdoin	98
Bowdoinham	52
Bowerbank	30
Bradford	27
Bradford	32
Bradley	26
Bremen	45
Brewer	20
Brewer	24
Bridgewater	6
Bridgton	83
Brighton	30
Bristol	46
Brooklin	15
Brooks	38
Brooksville	16
Brownfield	82
Brownville	31
Brunswick	99
Brunswick	100
Brunswick	101

Buckfield	80
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STOP THINK ACT

Maine Right to Life cordially invites you to stand tall, come together and restore the proper slogan: Maine – The Way LIFE Should Be!

We are Pro-LIfe, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women, and we have had enough of peing cooped up, silenced, and diminshed because we love and cherish the sanctity of human life from womb to tomb and we love the beautiful state of Maine.

Maine Right to Life is gathering people who value life – in all its forms – to provide a safe haven to come together, learn about the Pro-Life movement, interact with our decision makers in Augusta, and become strong and informed advocates for life – the way LIFE should be in Maine. If you love life and love Maine, please join us!

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SAY	DON'T SAY
Decisions, Alternatives, Options	Choice
Unborn child, Pre-born Child, Baby	Fetus
She or He	It (about the baby)
Mother	(Pregnant) Woman
Abortionist	Doctor, Physician
Abortion Facility	Clinic, Hospital
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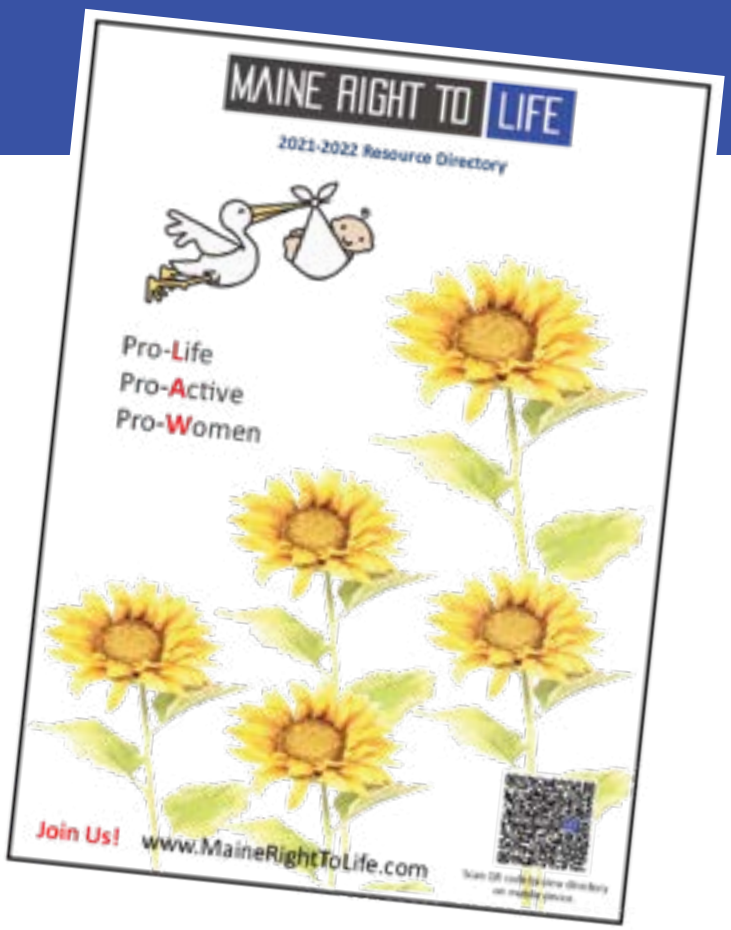

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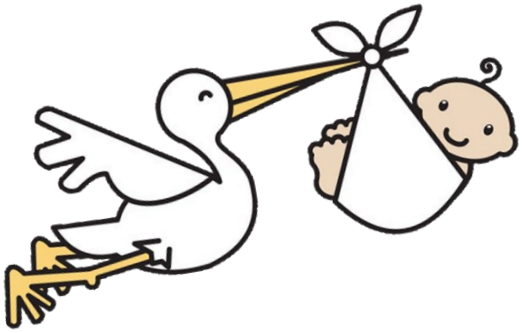

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A message from the Executive Director,

Thomas Jefferson's Declaration of Independence states: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Covid-19 has brought the fragility of life to the forefront. The epidemic began with a message: We are all in this together. The brutal racial death of George Floyd united America in outrage and condemnation. We were all in this together…

Next, Black Lives Matter turned peaceful protests violent— looting, chaos, mayhem, and killing followed. White people were shamed for having "white privilege" and deemed racists, whether they know it or not. Police departments and police officers were judged racist and guilty of police brutality. Demands to defund the police followed.

Historic monuments and statues tumbled, allegedly, to erase America's racist past. Among the toppled were historic tributes to figures who raised America out of slavery, such as the Lincoln Emancipation Memorial, statue of Thomas Jefferson, and statue of abolitionst, Hans Christian Heg. Yet, the bust of the Founder of Planned Parenthood, Margaret Sanger, a known racist, still stands in the National Portrait Gallery. It begs the question: Why? And why hasn't there been calls to defund Planned Parenthood?

Identity politics divides our country. If you don't promote Black Lives Matter; you're a racist. Free speech is being denied. Censorship prevails. "Group think" controls the narrative. This powerful force makes people victims (a new form of human slavery) . It is doing more harm than good, and is destructive to women, minorities, and the traditional family. The spirit of the human heart and America is in peril.

We've seen in our history, abominations that have led people down dark paths. America has grown from the atrocities of slavery. America can grow from the atrocities of racism and abortion, too. It's time for every individual to embrace a personal journey of character perfection, and ponder the evils of group think that lures our nation down dark paths. We can't afford not to.

There's been a shift. Once upon a time, Jesse Jackson called abortion "black genocide", comparing abortion to slavery. Jackson condemned the idea that a baby was the personal property of the mother – who could do as she pleased. He likened this to slavery on plantations – protest was forbidden because plantations were private. Speaking at the 1977 March for Life, Jackson asked: "What happens…to the moral fabric of a nation that accepts the aborting of the life of a baby without a pang of conscience?"

Martin Luther King envisioned a colorblind America based on individual character, rather than identity politics. We need to move beyond victimhood. Government power and control is not the solution. Power resides within every human being. Each of us, created unique with purpose, to be our best. No one person better than anyone else.

Now, more than ever, we must come together, hone our courage, find our voices, and defend life from womb to tomb. The innocent unborn, exploited, downtrodden, sick and aging need our compassionate, tender, loving care. Maine Right to Life believes that every life matters, no matter who you are and where you are in life's journey.

Karen Vachon
Executive Director

Who we are:

Maine Right to Life Committee is a state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, doctor assisted suicide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

Our advertising arm of Maine Right to Life is Maine Vitae Society, who designs and funds our major media advertising campaigns through TV and internet. This division is 100% volunteer, and is a 100% separate fundraising division.

We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active and Pro-Women. This resource guide seeks to inform, educate, and motivate all walks of life to defend life from womb to tomb. Wherever you are in your life: if you are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, post abortion remorse, sexual exploitation, addiction, or depression – there is help, support, inspiration, and motivation in these pages. Life is a journey of which you are never alone. This resource guide is available in hard-copy and electronic copy with hyper-links to deep dive the topics.

We hope you will become a compassionate active member of Maine Right to Life.

Why we do what we do…

Today, a woman's right to abortion is referred to as "women's reproductive healthcare", and in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, access to an abortion is considered an "essential service". American abortion policy is among the most permissive in the world. In fact, the US is one of only seven countries that allows abortion after 20 weeks' gestation – for any reason, no questions asked. And no matter how you feel about this, your tax dollars fund and promote this. But it hasn't always been this way! And it doesn't need to stay this way. America faced the atrocities of slavery and changed. Our hope is America will face the atrocities of abortion and change. It can be done by taking action and changing laws. Get to know your lawmakers today! (p.42-53)

48th Memorial
Roe v. Wade

The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade*

62,502,904

Total abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2017,
with 3% added for GI estimated possible 3-5% undercount for 1973-2014.
Another12,000 per year added for 2015-2020 for abortions from "providers" GI says it may have missed in 2015-2017 counts. (1/21)

Rest in Peace, Most Precious Little Ones.

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Maine Right to Life
Annual Events

**We hope to hold all our events this coming year.
Exact dates and times will be determined according to Maine State gathering guidelines surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.**

Hands Around the Capitol Rally and March

Held in January in Augusta, ME. This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march.

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Held in February, it is a wonderful opportunity to meet with pro-life leaders from across Maine and learn first-hand what is new and exciting in the respect life movement. Families, singles, students, and seniors are welcome to join us, along with respect life organization from across Maine including our life-saving Pregnancy Support Centers, Hospice, the Knights of Columbus, and others. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet your local Maine legislators while at the Capitol.

Flowers For Mother's Day

This May project recognizes the sacrifices of motherhood by providing fresh flowers to all the well deserving Moms in your Parish, organization or club. In addition to thanking moms for their gift of life, your participation in this program also helps us promote a Culture of Life right here in Maine.

Celebrate Life Walk

Held in July at several locations throughout Maine. Join family, friends, and community leaders in a 2 mile pro-active, pro-life walk. Build the culture of life—one step at a time!

MRLC Convention

Annual Convention

We truly hope you'll join us in the Fall, along with pro-life leaders from across the state! We will be making important announcements along with an informative and relevant, pro-life keynote speaker.

MAINE VITAE SOCIETY

Maine Vitae Society was formed in 1997 with the express purpose of using major media to educate the general public about abortion. It was long known that traditional media outlets were not providing a true picture of abortion and that we would have to educate the public ourselves if we wanted the truth to be known.

Even though it is a part of Maine Right to Life, Maine Vitae Society is quite unique. It receives no funding from the parent organization and is directed and operated solely by volunteers. All funds raised are restricted and can be used only for major media advertising. Because of the total volunteer structure there are no fund raising expenses so that virtually every dollar raised goes directly to advertising.

Maine Vitae Society launched its initial advertising campaign in January 1999 after raising more than $125,000. That first campaign which lasted three months was run on the major TV networks in the Portland and Bangor markets. Since then Maine Vitae Society has expanded its TV advertising into all parts of Maine including Aroostook County and utilizes cable as well as network.

Today, Maine Vitae Society can quietly affirm that it has run over 125,000 thirty-second commercials since its modest beginning in 1999. Even though it is on the air at various times of the year, its most intensive campaign continues to take place during the January - April period when a high percentage of abortions occur and TV viewership is high. The response from viewers, both those pro-life and those with strong abortion rights convictions, remains high and indicates that the truth is indeed getting through.

In mid-2005 after much study and research, Maine Vitae Society decided to expand its major media advertising by adding the Internet to its schedule. This was done in order to reach teens and young adults more directly. Extensive research had proven that the Internet was that age group's medium of choice to get news and information and where a lot of its views were being formed. Maine Vitae Society has to advertise on the Internet if it wants to influence this large 12-24 age group.

We advertise on Google 24/7 and steadily on social media as well, in order to urge Maine teenagers and young adults to click onto the marvelous pro-life website, "Teenbreaks.com," owned and managed by The Rosetta Foundation. This website was started in January 2003 and the results have proven impressive. It tells the truth about abortion with real, current and moving stories from young girls who have aborted and have sorrowfully and painfully regretted it. It also tells the stories of girls who have rejected abortion, chosen life, adoption and a more happy future. There are other segments which describe abortion most graphically, encourage adoption, abstinence, and the development of self respect.

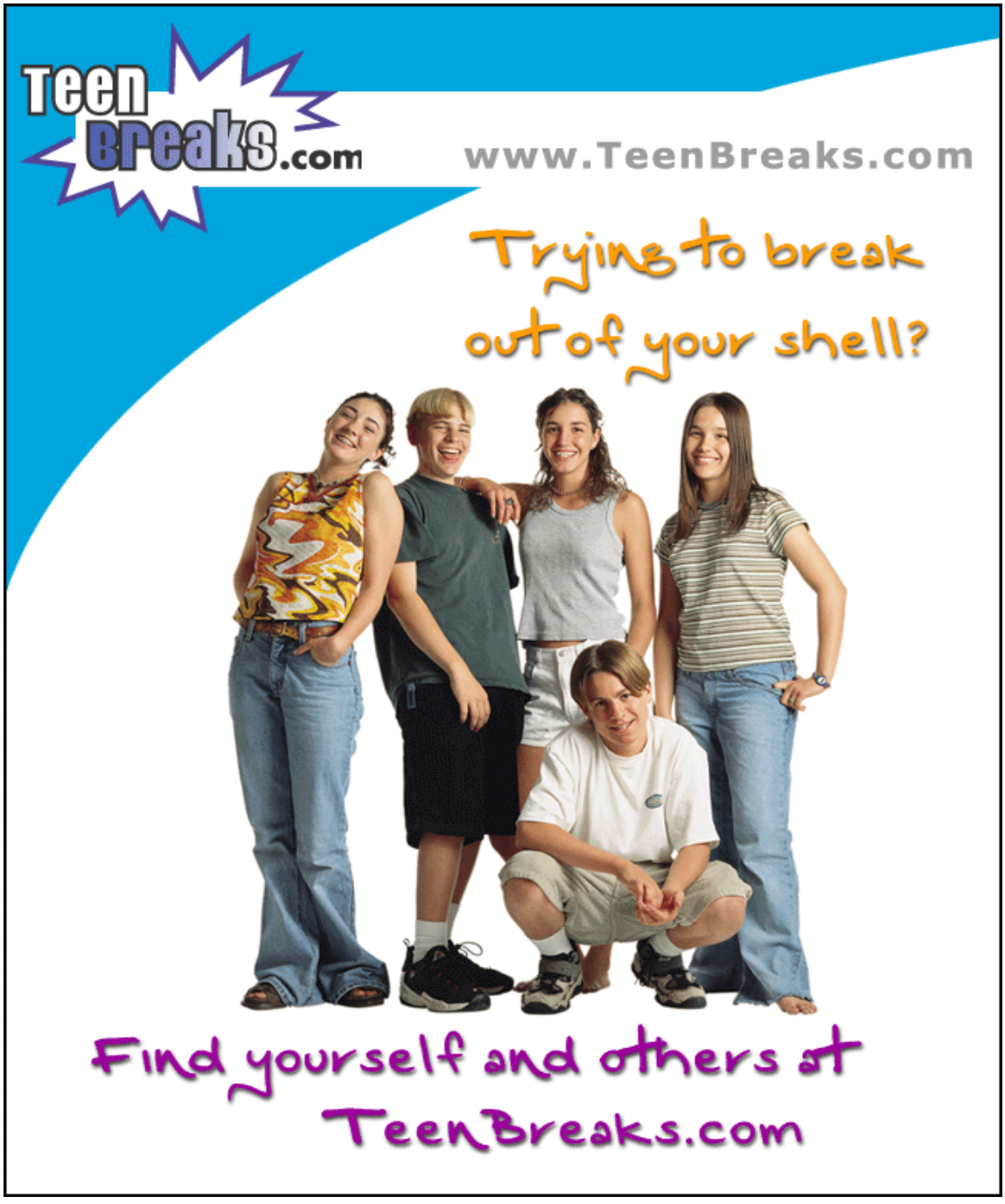
Maine Vitae Society is delighted with the results of its Internet advertising aimed at young people. Since 2006, its first full year of existence, teen abortions in Maine have declined from 483 to 203, a significant slide of almost 60%.

The young are the future and fortunately they are increasingly pro-life. Maine Vitae Society is grateful to have this highly effective website to promote and offer to Maine teenagers and young adults.

Maine Vitae Society plans to continue its dual approach by advertising on both TV and the Internet. It expresses, once again, its sincere gratitude to its generous donors who have made it all possible.

Carl J. Maddaleni
Director, Maine Vitae Society

"There is no such thing as an unwanted child. There are only children whose families have not been found."
-Joleigh Little Bass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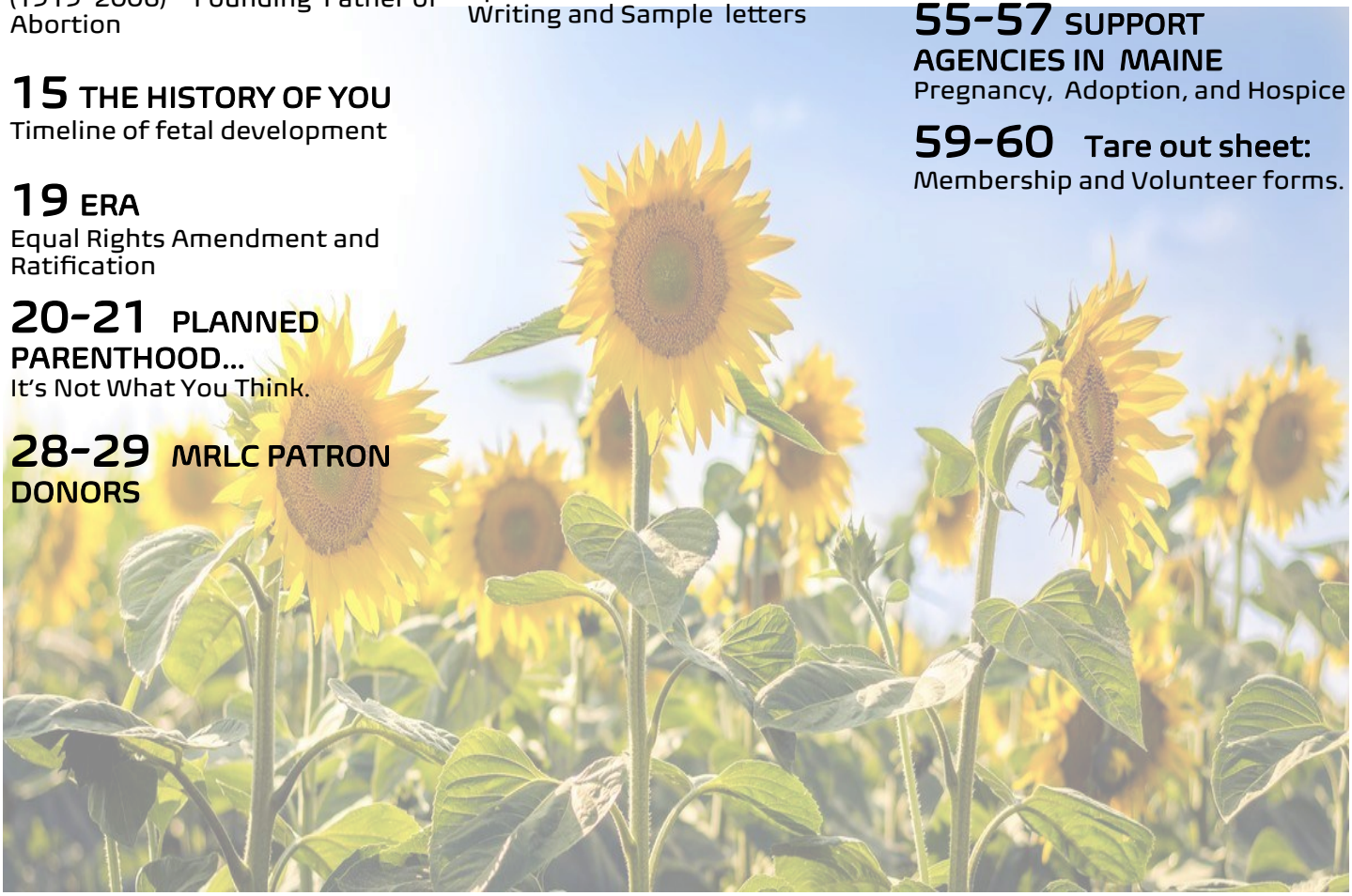

PRO-LIFE

Why the Pro-Life movement? History of contraception, abortion, and Roe V Wade

There's been a shift in law and attitude. Once upon a time, life in the womb was most sacred. Contraception was illegal. Abortion was a crime. Protecting the life of the unborn was paramount – a fetus was recognized as a human being with rights and opportunity to prosper. The family took center stage. In today's altered society our controlled narrative and laws couldn't care less about the unborn, self-interest is paramount, gender has been deconstructed and marriage re-defined, all in the name of equal rights.

Anthony Comstock, a devout Christian from New York City, observed his city teeming with prostitution and women being exploited. He believed contraception was lewd, immoral, and promoted promiscuity. He went to Washington, DC to do something about this. The Comstock Act passed in 1873. Known as the Anti-Obscenity Law , which prohibited the sale and possession of birth control. Information promoting birth control was deemed "Articles of immoral use". Many states passed laws prohibiting the sale of contraceptives.

Back in 1927, conception determined when human life began. The American Medical Association urged state legislatures to pass laws to protect the unborn. Every state passed laws that made abortion a serious crime.

From 1880 to 1930 there was a transition period to a new sexual order which would undermine the traditional family and ultimately lead to the sexual revolution in the 1960's, setting the course for a new social order.

Margaret Sanger was a birth control advocate who challenged the law in 1916 when she opened the first birth control clinic in NYC. Following her arrest, the 1918 Crane decision allowed women to use birth control for therapeutic purposes. In 1920, The American Birth Control League (later to become known as Planned Parenthood) was founded. By 1936 the US Court of Appeals decision permitted doctors to distribute contraceptives across state lines, giving legitimacy to the birth control industry. This changed the public attitude on birth control. Once opposed, Christian Churches warmed to morally accepting birth control, though the Catholic Church remained opposed. Birth rates dropped significantly.

At first, falling birth rates didn't cause alarm. The population control movement was in full swing against a looming threat of third-world, poor, communist countries having too many

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History of women's activism.

July 13, 1848 marks the very beginning of the women's movement. On this day, housewife and mother, Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1920) gathered four women, including Lucretia Mott (1793-1889) for tea. Discontented over the limitations of women in America, Stanton was the only non-Quaker in the group. The women took action! Five days later a convention was held at the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls, NY. Other than a small advertisement in the local newspaper, the event was barely publicized.

Stanton drafted The Declaration of Sentiments. Modeled after the Declaration of Independence, the Declaration of Sentiments stated "all men and women are created equal". The convention at Seneca Falls was held to discuss social, civil and religious rights of women; their grievances and demands, and a call to constitutionally guarantee women's rights to equality as US citizens, which included the right to vote. This began the Suffrage movement. The declaration was signed by 68 women and 32 men and formalized the start of the Women's Rights Movement in the US.

Friends Susan B. Anthony (left) and Elizabeth Cady Stanton (right).

Stanton met Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) in 1851. Anthony had seven brothers and sisters, and at a very young age, was inspired by the Quaker belief that everyone was equal under God. This belief was the foundation of her life's work. She became an activist, uninhibited by social rules that women shouldn't speak publicly, she passionately delivered speeches against slavery. Stanton and Anthony became friends, and spent the next 50 years fighting for women's rights. Together, they co-founded the American Equal Rights Association, and in 1868, published *The Revolution* – a publication that promoted equality and rights for women.

Education and political rights were considered privileges of the upper class, but the voices of the movement also included non-white ordinary women. Sojorner Truth, (1797 – 1883) a former slave, became the voice that bridged the ordinary with the elite. Though she couldn't read or write, she became a charismatic speaker against the evils of slavery. When she met Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B Anthony, she joined the women's movement delivering her famous speech: "Ain't I a Woman" where she challenged racial and gender inferiority and inequality.

Temperance, abolition of slavery, and women's rights were the social issues of the time. Many courageous women became activists, taking to the lecture circuit in the 1860's and 1870's. They held popular and effective rallies. Some women activists had more than 200 speaking engagements a year. While they were focusing on suffrage, they were pushing for equal rights of women, overall. In 1866, the American Equal Rights Association (AERA) was founded to "secure Equal Rights to all American citizens, especially the right of suffrage, irrespective of race, color, or sex". Lucretia Mott was AERA's president.

There wasn't always agreement, and a schism occurred over ratification of the 15th amendment. Anthony and Stanton were against it because, in giving black men the right to vote, they believed the women's right to vote should be included. They believed the two issues belonged together, and should be fought at the federal level. They formed the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA). Opponents believed the immediate expansion of citizenship rights to former slaves would be jeopardized by including voting rights to women; they believed woman's suffrage should best be achieved through amendments to individual state constitutions. They formed the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA).

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The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. Abortion is man's ultimate control over a woman's ability to birth and raise children. The women of Betty Friedan's generation never realized men were and still are dictating who has children and who does not. Betty, herself was steered off course, by journalist and friend, Larry Lader who convinced Betty, his agenda - over population - could sell abortion. It was Lader who developed the language: A woman should have the right to control her own body. The woman's movement was hijacked by a white man whose agenda was population control.

To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Recently, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Can you guess who is being vilified? … The girls.

What has been misleading in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through, became a political lightning rod, yet to be ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was".

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Margaret Sanger – 1879-1966

If Margaret Sanger had her way, she would be remembered as the prominent leader of the birth control movement who liberated women and gave them sexual freedom. Don't be fooled!
Margaret Sanger is the kingpin architect who launched the most thriving crusade against women, minorities, and the dis-abled.

She is depicted guardedly and deceitfully in the history books – all part of her master plan to set and control a narrative that is being played out today.

Contrary to what we have heard, Margaret Sanger was not a compassionate liberal woman who dedicated her life's work out of concern for poor minority women and their families, and women's reproductive healthcare. Rather, she was closely associated with leaders of the eugenics movement, which include Lawrence Lader (author of her biography) and Alan Guttmacher, who played a pivotal role in the founding of Planned Parenthood.

Margaret Sanger was the sixth of eleven children, born to poor Irish immigrant parents in Corning, NY. Her father advocated for socialism and was an outspoken critic of the Catholic church. Her mother was Catholic, and died at age 50 of tuberculosis. Sanger claimed her premature death was caused by eleven childbirths and seven miscarriages. She lashed out at Catholic clergy and her father for causing her mother's death, hence committing her life's work to perfect contraception to relieve women from the horrible stain of repeated, unwanted pregnancies.

Raised in poverty, she married into wealth and settled in Greenwich Village, NY, where she became closely associated with leading figures in the eugenics movement, believing that some human races were superior to others and therefore, superior races should be encouraged to reproduce, while inferior members of society, such as the poor or minorities should be regulated and controlled

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Sanger published *The Birth Control Review in 1917. In the May 1919 edition, she wrote: "More children from the fit, less from the unfit – that is the chief aim of birth control." In November 1921's edition, she declared, "birth control: to create a race of thoroughbreds."*

That same year, she founded the American Birth Control League (later to become Planned Parenthood).

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Lawrence (Larry) Lader (1919-2006) – Founding Father of Abortion

Amid today's labeling of white supremacists, bashing white men who know nothing about women's health, and untenable sexual abuse and exploitation of women, it may come as a surprise to learn that legalized abortion was introduced, promoted, and advanced by Larry Lader –a white man, who today is revered as the "The Founding Father of Abortion.".

Abortion had rightly been viewed as a societal taboo, but that all changed with Lader's revolution to normalize the killing of unborn and unwanted children. Long–standing social pressures had forced a man to care for a child conceived outside of marriage, and women could legally pursue a man who impregnated her. There was strong family and community support for both the couple and the baby. The 19th century, however, saw a rise in abortion activity, which was initially prevalent among the young female servant class of immigrants without family, giving rise to prostitution.

For mainstream America, abortion was thought barbaric. Wealthy women would find willing medical doctors to perform abortion and the poor sought abortions in back alleys. Even Margaret Sanger objected to legalized abortion. When she drove by prostitutes standing in line for their abortions, she saw birth control as the solution.

Lader viewed this differently. He envisioned a day when the social stigma of abortion would be removed. Abortion would be safe, provided on demand, by doctors, and federally funded. To achieve this, he said: "every revolution has to have a villain." To grab attention he needed to shift, divert, divide, and confuse the issue. He targeted the women's movement, doctors, and, his villain –the hierarchy of the Catholic Church, - under the guise of population control, medical safety, and women empowerment.

Finding power, clout and influence in his pen – Lader wrote articles that interested him. He re-shaped social order, coined new language, and fed a narrative that ignored truth, facts, and laws. By hoodwinking, seducing, and coercing powers of influence, he was hell-bent to legalize abortion and promote unrestricted sexual freedom.

He wasn't a researcher or scientist, rather, a journalist with an agenda, determined to make a name for himself. He was successful! Cited at least seven times, as a material expert, in the 1973 Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision – this would hardly be the crescendo to his life's work. He turned

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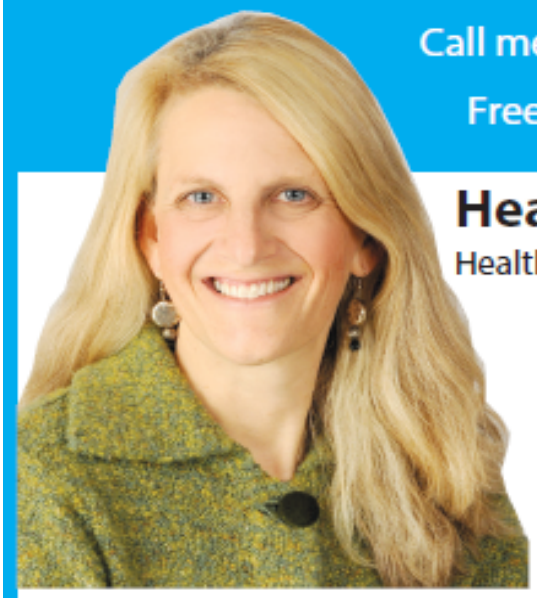

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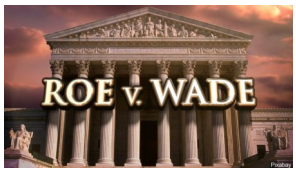
children – there was concern that a world-wide famine was imminent, rising taxes would increase the spread of communism. The solution: Abortion.

In 1959, the America Law Institute proposed a model penal code for state abortion laws. This code advocated legalizing abortions in limited circumstances, to include the mental & physical health of the mother, rape and incest, and fetal deformity. Colorado was the first state to pass an abortion law permitting abortion under these limited circumstances. California, Oregon, and North Carolina followed suit. As more states embraced pro-abortion laws, the National Right to Life was founded in 1968, in an effort to organize, communicate, and coordinate what was going on in various states across the country.



By the early 1970's, four states had laws making abortion on demand legal; one state permitted abortion for rape or incest; a total of 31 states had very limited laws permitting abortion only to save a mother's life.

Then the federal government stepped in. Contrary to what people think, Roe V. Wade is not a law passed by Congress January 22, 1973.. It was a vote by 7 (a full court has 9) Supreme Court Justices. The US Supreme Court were determined that all state laws protecting the unborn null and void. Roe v. Wade ruled that "legal personhood does not exist prenatally". This decision made abortion legal in all 50 states for the full term of pregnancy. To this day, this is, the most controversial Supreme Court Decision.

Decades after the unique decision, no other decision continues to cause such large and sustainable outcry. Deemed the "engine of controversy" it has become the symbol of judicial over reach causing much upheaval. Every year, since the decision of Roe v. Wade, Maine Right to Life holds a rally and solemn memorial - Hands Around the Capital event, to remember the innocent lives lost caused by this decision.

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Roe v. Wade is actually two cases – Roe v. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia. The court read both together. Though Doe is rarely spoken about, in its near 40 year history, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides what is called the "health exception" for an abortion after a fetus becomes viable. The "health exception" addresses the physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and age of the mother, thus providing legal justification to have an abortion throughout the entire gestational pregnancy.

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Matthew 25:40

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CONCEPTION (FERTILIZATION)
- Sperm fertilizes egg
- The new life, starting as just one cell, eventually implants in lining of uterus

2 WEEKS
- Heart beats at 21 days
- Foundation laid for brain and spinal cord

4 WEEKS
- Brain and spinal cord begin to form
- Length is less than 1 inch

6 WEEKS
- Lungs are beginning to form
- Eyes and nostrils are visible
- Taste buds and teeth are beginning to develop

8 WEEKS
- Fingers have grown and separated, toes are now visible
- Facial features—eyes, nose, lips, and tongue—continue to develop
- Each minute the brain develops as many as 250,000 new neurons
- Unborn child is now called a fetus, rather than an embryo

10 WEEKS
- Fingernails are beginning to form
- Kidneys are developing and can produce urine

12 WEEKS
- All major body parts and organs are present
- Heartbeat can be heard with electronic devices
- Bones are beginning to harden

14 WEEKS
- Mouth makes sucking motions
- Spleen begins producing red blood cells
- Hair pattern on head develops

16 WEEKS
- Movement may be felt by the mother
- The unborn child can suck her thumb
- Taste buds are present and functioning

18 WEEKS
- Arms and legs begin to punch and kick
- Fingernails are well formed
- Uterus begins to form if it's a girl
- Length is about 10 inches head to heel

20 WEEKS
- Experts say she can feel pain
- Swallowing begins
- Can turn body side to side and front to back

22 WEEKS
- Rapid brain growth continues
- Weight is about one pound

24 WEEKS
- Outside sounds can be heard
- Actions such as hiccuping, squinting, smiling, and frowning may be seen through ultrasound

26 WEEKS
- Sleep patterns exist and rapid eye movement indicates dreaming may occur
- Eyelids reopen after being closed for months
- Muscles exercise by kicking and stretching

28 WEEKS
- Central nervous system is developed enough to control some major body functions
- Another person might hear a heartbeat by listening to the pregnant woman's abdomen

30 WEEKS
- Rhythmic breathing movements start to occur
- Mom's voice and other familiar sounds may be recognized
- Bones are fully developed, but still soft and pliable

32 WEEKS
- Pupils can dilate and constrict in dim or bright light
- Connections between the nerve cells in the brain have increased

34 WEEKS
- Weight is about 4 to 4½ pounds

36 WEEKS
- Body fat increasing rapidly
- Head may soon start repositioning down in preparation for birth

38 WEEKS
- A newborn is considered full-term 38 weeks after fertilization (40 weeks of pregnancy)
- The unborn child can grasp firmly

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The first voting right victory came in 1869 when the Wyoming territory granted women the right to vote. Both women's organization celebrated the victory. Then, in 1878, the NWSA successfully lobbied the US Congress for a constitutional amendment. Though Congress formed committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate to study and debate the issue, when the proposal reached the senate floor in 1886, it was defeated. By 1890, the two organizations merged, forming the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA). Their strategy was to lobby for voting rights state-by-state.

By the turn of the 20th century, four states passed voting rights to women, and women's suffrage was gaining momentum. Despite the deaths of Stanton (1902) and Anthony (1806), young energy entered the movement. Stanton's daughter, Harriot Stanton Blatch (1856-1940) raised awareness with parades, pickets, and marches. Alice Paul (1885-1977) brought discipline, strategy with a militaristic style.

Unfettered, she organized marches, White House protests, and rallies. She founded the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage (which later became the National Woman's Party); arrested several times and imprisoned at least three times, she was the key leader securing the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920. The 19th amendment reads: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States." This put an end to a nearly century long fight to prohibit sex discrimination in the right to vote.

Once securing the right to vote, Paul and members of the National Woman's Party decided to seek constitutional guarantees of equality by way of the Equal Rights Amendment, written by Paul and Crystal Eastman (1881-1928), and delivered to Congress in 1923. It read: "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. In 1943, the wording was changed to the version that exists today. It reads: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Like the disagreement on suffrage; a bitter split emerged with ERA when some of Paul's allies in suffrage, found ERA troubling. The challenge was to ensure that equal rights match women's needs. At conflict, was the goal to allow women to have the same opportunities as men, while, at the same time, enabling women to be freely distinct and different from men without adverse consequences. This challenge remains today, and is why, though ERA passed Congress in 1972, the ERA has never been ratified.

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Not only did Sanger have a disregard for the poor, whom she referred to as "human weeds", she also had a disdain for blacks, of which her motives were clear: "Remember our motto: if we must have welfare, give it to the rich, not to the poor…we are paying for and even submitting to the dictates of an ever increasing, unceasingly spawning class of human beings who never should have been born at all."

Sanger joined forces with her wealthy racist friend, and heir to the Proctor Gamble fortune, Dr. Clarence Gamble to create the "Negro Project". Under the guise of helping the poor black community, a strategy was in place to recruit charismatic black ministers to encourage black women to use birth control. Sanger wrote to Dr. Gamble: "we do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population and the minister is the man who can straighten that idea out if it ever occurs to any of the more rebellious members."

Today Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortion in the US, responsible for aborting a disproportionately higher number of black babies. According to Candace Owens, author of *Blackout*, black women have the highest abortion rate among all racial groups; while they represent 13% of the US female population, they make up 40% of all abortions. Seventy-eight percent of Planned Parenthood clinics are located in low income minority communities.

Sanger also had a strong aversion to marriage: "The marriage bed is the most degenerating influence in the social order." She endorsed over throwing the family unit and making way for a "voluntary association" between sexual partners that focus more on sexual gratification rather than reproduction. In her book: *Women and the New Race* she wrote: "Many, perhaps, will think it idle to go further in demonstrating the immorality of large families, but since there is still an abundance of proof at hand, it may be offered for the sake of those who find difficulty in adjusting old-fashion ideas to the facts. The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."

The Margaret Sanger legacy, is a legacy of lies:

- Although married, Margaret Sanger resented marriage.
- Although a mother, she resented motherhood.
- Although confirmed in Catholic faith, she denounced Christianity and God.
- Although Quaker-appearing, she was a serial adulteress.
- Although she was 'opposed to abortion', she believed in infanticide.
- Although she was a socialist, she married a multi-millionaire industrialist oil tycoon and became an anarchist.
- Although she employed genocidal policies, she posed as a reputable community health service provider.
- Although a millionaire, she vowed to spend her late husband's $5million dollars on herself before she died, (leaving nothing to her sons and grandchildren)

Maine Right to Life believes the bust of Sanger should be removed and Planned Parenthood should be defunded. **If you agree, will you write your local Representatives and tell them?** There are several bills before the legislature this session asking for more taxpayer dollars to fund Planned Parenthood and to increased access to abortion.

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Bust of Margaret Sanger in Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery's "Struggle for Justice" exhibit.

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The Doe decision distinguishes the US as one of the most liberal democracies in the world. Only seven countries allow abortion after 20 weeks. The US is one of four nations (Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason after fetal viability.

Last September, at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe V. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned Parenthood V. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade descion). **According to the CDC, abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.** Of Americans who identify as being pro-choice - two thirds oppose late term abortion. Seventy-nine percent of Americans oppose late term abortions; and 82% of Americans oppose denying care to a viable child after birth.

A Gallup poll issued January 22nd, 2020, *Dissatisfied with US abortion laws at a new high*, reveals a 7% increase from a year ago. Today, 58% of Americans are not happy with our nation's abortion laws and believe they should be stricter. This is a new high for Gallup's trend.

The mainstream media controls a narrative which is not aligned with the thoughts of our nation. The powers that be portray Pro-Lifer's as predominately white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body – the true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats (who were told there was no place for them in the party), blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

Maine Right to Life believes that **people deserve to know the truth. Knowledge is power.** Please share these facts, and let everyone know, Pro-Life has a place for everyone that values human life from womb to tomb.

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Equal Rights Amendment and ratification

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the states US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" (ERA), to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur. In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, some activist groups now insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if just one additional state ratifies it.

The Equal Protection clause from the 14th amendment states: "nor shall any state deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." Maine Right to Life opposes the 1972 ERA because it could potentially be used as a powerful pro-abortion legal weapon, which pro-abortion activist groups openly proclaim that this is what they intend. For example: (March 2019), NARAL Pro-Choice America

ANSWERING THE CALL FOR HELP – what you can do…asserted the ERA "would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws." The NOW said the ERA "properly interpreted could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion…"

There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the constitution. The framers of the constitution and the declaration of independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

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⇒ Planned Parenthood reported 2.5 million patients in 2014 and 2.4 million patients in both 2015, 2016 & 2017, for a decrease of 100,000 patients, or 4% fewer patients between 2014 and 2017.

⇒ Approximately one out of every three abortions committed in our country is committed by Planned Parenthood.

⇒ While the Abortion Giant holds non-profit status, its revenue for 2018-2019 was about $1.638 billion. The highest in its history.

⇒ In the 2017-2018 Report, Planned Parenthood first reported telemedicine services as part of their expanding care category. For 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood affiliates in 17 states now have telemedicine services, including 16 states that perform telemed abortions.17 This is a substantial increase from just 13 states that were reported to perform telemed abortions in the 2017-2018 Report .

⇒ In 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood received $616.8 million in combined federal, state, and local government grants and contracts, an increase of over $50 million from last year's funding. Of all funding received by Planned Parenthood, 37 percent comes from taxpayers' pockets.

⇒ Day in and day out, Planned Parenthood aborts 1,768 innocent babies.

⇒ The 2017-2018 report shows $802.6 million in unrestricted net assets, funds which they can use should or when they lose government funds. In 2018-2019, assets increased to $2.2 billion.

⇒ Although the Abortion Giant touts its extensive health care efforts, cancer screenings and prevention programs have actually *dropped by a whopping 69% —-two-thirds.*—from 2009-2018: 1,830,811 (2009), 1,596,741 (2010), 1,307,570 (2011), 1,121,580 (2012), 935,573 (2013), 682,208 (2014), 665,234 (2015) and 660,777 (2016) and 614,361 (2017) and 566,186 (2018).

⇒ In 2017 Planned Parenthood committed 117 abortions for every adoption referral.

(view 2018-2019 Planned Parenthood Annual Report)

⇒ Actual prenatal services have also steadily decreased by *more than three-quarters (77%)* since 2009: 40,489 (2009) vs. 7,762 (2016).

⇒ Breast exams at Planned Parenthood have also *decreased.* 1,830,311 (2009) vs. 566,186 (2018). And no, Planned Parenthood does not perform mammograms, and never has. Note: In 2015, for the first time in Planned Parenthood's history, abortions outnumbered basic breast exams.

⇒ As of 2017, Planned Parenthood facilities will be down to less than 600 facilities in the U.S. with 56 regional affiliates. At its height in 1995, there were 938 Planned Parenthood facilities. Their facilities are now down by 34%—-an all time low. 32 of its facilities were closed in 2017 alone. It's time to shut them down for good.

⇒ There are 13,540 Federally-qualified, low-cost, high quality Health Care Clinics & rural health clinics. These Federally Qualified Centers are located in urban **and** rural locations, and they outnumber Planned Parenthood by more than 20 to 1 nationally. They offer more services than Planned Parenthood, but not abortion. Visit www.getyourcare.org for a full list of Health Centers.

Abortion is NOT health care.

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It may not be too late.

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revolutionary activist – unsuccessfully suing the Catholic Church, and at age 76, in 1992 he launched a campaign to legalize and distribute the abortion drug, RU486.

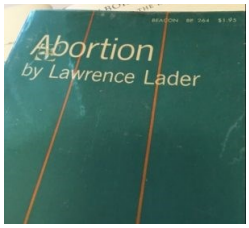
Lader, an atheist, with wealthy Jewish roots, grew up in New York City. He went to Harvard University, where he discovered Karl Marx. After graduating in 1941, he served in World War II, working for Armed Forces Radio. His war dispatches published in the New York Times, launched his career as a journalist, where his work appeared in numerous leading publications. He aspired to be a published author.

Karl Marx

During this time, he met Betty Friedan, author of the Feminine Mystique, through Jean MacInnis (whom he dated and later married). MacInnis had extreme ideas for the times: She kept her maiden name and they had separate bank accounts. The short-lived marriage ended in divorce in 1946.

Lader forged relationships with the elite and influential (most notably, Margaret Sanger), who aligned with his radical thoughts of Malthusianism and Eugenics. Malthusianism is a population theory that absolves wealthier segments of society from the responsibility of caring for the poor, by reducing the number of people born. Eugenics, Darwin's evolutional theory, 'survival of the fittest', seeks to limit the fertility of the poor and the unfit.

Lader's first book, The Biography of Margaret Sanger, was published in 1955. He spent three years interviewing her, referring to himself as "her disciple," and he also said she was "the greatest influence on his life." In 1966, Bobbs-Merill published Lader's second book. Simply titled: "Abortion", the first words stated: "Abortion is the dreaded secret of our society.". In an article in the Los Angeles Times in 1995, Lader reflected: He thought he was simply writing a book, "I had no idea of getting involved in a campaign."



At the press conference announcing the publication of his book, Lader told reporters he had received hundreds of inquiries from women seeking an abortion doctor. In that moment, he decided to not just write about abortion, but do something about it. When women asked for an abortion, he referred over 2,000 to a willing doctor.

In 1967 Lader met obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr. Bernard Nathanson at a dinner party. Nathanson, also a Jewish Atheist, was "swept up" by Lader's anti-authoritarianism, and wanted to be involved in "brewing up a revolution.". He

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Bishop Robert P. Deeley, and the faithful of the Diocese

applaud your good works in support of life.

We wish the Maine Right to Life Committee much success.

May all those who sustain this great work know that they are in our prayers,

on this occasion as well as when they then go forward in this mission.

www.PortlandDiocese.org

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performed "therapeutic abortions" and was disturbed with the deaths caused by illegal abortions. For Lader, having an obstetrician on his team would help legitimize abortion as a legal medical procedure.

With a budget of $3,500, the two men founded the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (NARAL) in 1969. (Today, known as NARAL – Pro-Choice America). On a mission, they had their villain, and a strategy: To convince the media and the public that the Catholic hierarchy was imposing its will on America. They would portray Catholics as opposed to the hierarchy; and they would support them in public office as "heroes who oppose abortion for themselves, but believe our church should not impose its will on our non-Catholic neighbors." They wanted to make this a church-state issue and expose the tax-deductible lobbying effort of Catholics.

Over the next few years, Lader and Nathanson were inseparable, tenaciously lobbying state legislatures to repeal prohibitions against abortion. Utilizing unscrupulous tactics they made up numbers of deaths/year of botched abortions. Their efforts were not gaining traction, until Lader come up with the idea to link legal abortion to the popular and growing feminist movement. "If we're going to move abortion out of the books and into the streets, we're going to have to recruit the feminists. Friedan has got to put her troops into this thing – while she still has control of them."

Lader and Nathanson convinced Friedan, the founder of National Organization of Women (NOW) to see legal abortion as a civil and basic human rights issue. Originally Friedan and executives of Planned Parenthood opposed abortion, believing it degraded women and gave too much power to men, but Lader was clever and strategic. Noting that American women like choice, he coined the language of the movement today – "Pro-Choice", "a woman's right to control her own body", and a "woman's right to choose.".

Friedan never mentioned abortion in her first edition of the Feminine Mystique, however Lader successfully persuaded her to use her platform to promote abortion as "liberating and empowering" to women. She joined them at NARAL. The jargon of the women's movement, caught on and was adopted by Planned Parenthood's then president, Alan Guttmacher. At the end of Betty Friedan's life, she expressed her regret for the narrative and the path the woman's movement had ultimately taken.

Nathanson had regrets too. As an obstetrician and gynecologist in New York City, Nathanson oversaw at least 75,000 abortions between 1970 and 1979, of which, 5,000 he performed himself. He earned the nickname: Abortion King. By 1973 the advancement of ultrasound technology, helped him see abortion for what it is and the pain the fetus experiences. Nathanson became Pro-life, and to Lader's chagrin, converted to Catholicism in 1996. Were it not for his complete change of heart, we would never know the truth about Lader's power, influence, and lies to ram rod abortion down Americans' throats.

In 2009, at age 83, Bernard Nathanson met with Terry Beatley of the Hosea Initiative. He told her the 8-point Propaganda Strategy that he and Lader developed for NARAL to convince America that abortion is "women's healthcare." Beatley promised Nathanson that she would share this with lawmakers and clergy, so the people knew the truth. Here is the strategy used to deceive America:

In her book, Subverted, author, Sue Ellen Browder concisely and brilliantly lays out her experience as a columnist for Cosmopolitan, the fictitious stories she told about the Women's sexual revolution and how Larry Lader hijacked the women's movement; it is a must read! Like Nathanson, Sue Ellen converted to Catholicism.

In her book, Sue Ellen explains: We would never have known it was Lader who at last persuaded Betty to insert abortion into NOW's package of "women's rights" if it weren't for the written testimony of a third party who eye-witnessed events as they unfolded beneath the scenes. This eye-witness was Bernard *"Bernie"* Nathanson, M.D., director of one of the world's largest abortion clinics. Nathanson worked with Lader in the late 1960's to found NARAL, the first organization set up to repeal US abortion laws." ~ Sue Ellen Browder, Subverted, p. 51

Dr. Nathanson died in 2011. A friend reflected on two lessons learned by Nathanson's life: **"First – truth will prevail, and overcome darkness, second: We in the pro-life movement have no enemies to destroy. Our weapons are chaste weapons of the spirit: *truth and love*. Our task is less to defeat our opponents than to win them to the cause of life. To be sure, we must oppose the culture and politics of death resolutely and with a determination to win. But there is no one – *no one*- whose heart is so hard that he or she *cannot* be won over.**

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A new wave of feminism was taking shape in the 1960's. Though woman had the right to vote, could hold public office, and have equal employment opportunities, the obvious differences between men and women were over-looked. The importance of protecting women and family, including 24 hour childcare for working families, were cast aside for a new order. The birth control pill was approved by the FDA, over-population and fear of famine, and the sexual revolution took the eye off family, with a new focus on the individual, and a belief that government would come up with all of the solutions.

A new emerging leader, Smith College graduate, Betty Friedan (1921-2006), conducted a survey among fellow college graduates for her 15 year reunion and concluded women were unhappy with their lives as housewives. In 1964, she published The Feminine Mystique, which became a best seller. Friedan uncovered "the problem with no name". Though women were married with children and living in comfort, women were unhappy. Magazines, educators, and advertisers narrowly promoted the domestic sphere which was a stark contrast to the 1930's when magazines featured confident, independent career women. According to her survey, women felt they had lost their identity.

Betty Friedan (front left), The National Organization for Women (NOW).

Friedan's book propelled the re-thinking of femininity and sparked the sexual revolution, spinning the women's movement in several different directions. The National Organization for Women (NOW) was organized, in 1966, and Friedan drafted the founding statement, emphasizing a women's need for identity and autonomy - women as human beings must be given a chance to develop to their full potential. At the 1967 NOW conference at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC. A clash of the liberation movement with the radical feminist movement came to a head when Betty Friedan shocked members by pressing a vote for a full repeal of all abortion laws. By the end of the meeting, one-third of NOW's members quit.

In 1969,the narrative, focus, and language shifted within the Women's Rights Movement– not by women, but by two men, who co-founded, NARAL (National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Law), with the support and advocacy of Betty Friedan. Lawrence Lader, a journalist and Dr. Bernard Nathanson (1926-2006), were clever.

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Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
307 Congress St, Portland
4:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Peter
72 Federal St, Portland
5:15 p.m. Saturday
9:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Christopher
15 Central Ave, Peaks Island
10:00 a.m. Sunday

Sacred Heart/St. Dominic
65 Mellen St, Portland
10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. Sunday

St. Louis
279 Danforth St, Portland
11:30 a.m. Sunday

Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes

www.portlandcatholic.org

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The narrative had changed, and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion changed and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion and contraception was advancing women's reproductive healthcare. The women's movement was hijacked. Lader is credited as being the founding father of the abortion movement and heavily influenced the Roe V. Wade decision in 1973.

Dr. Bernard Nathanson

Today, Abortion defines the women's movement. This is not what the pioneers of the women's movement had in mind. Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote:

> **"When we consider that women are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit."**

Victoria Woodhull, the first women candidate for president wrote:

> **"Every woman knows that if she were free, she would never bear an unwished for child, nor think of murdering one before its birth."**

The first women to receive a medical degree in the US, Elizabeth Blackwell wrote: "The gross perversion and destruction of motherhood by the abortionist filled me with indignation, and awakened active antagonism."

Susan B Anthony's, *The Revolution, published a piece that said abortion was a choice that would burden both a woman's "Conscience in life and soul in death"; which ultimately is an exploitation of women.*

At Maine Right to Life, we follow our early leaders with a shared belief that the rights of mother and child are inherently linked. By getting to know our early leaders, we admire their courage, are inspired by their persistence, and we feel called to carry the torch to protect the authentic lives of women and children.

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Protecting Life from Womb to Tomb.

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She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. In fact, the ERA will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

We are seeing the problems unfold right now when biological men transgender to women, and rob biological women of sports recognition, titles, and scholarships. We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Efforts to ratify the ERA were taken up again in 2019. "Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled, though, the ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing, and the new ERA ratification initiative should be dubbed: Everything Related to Abortion.

Feminist for Life, President Serrin Foster believes that women deserve so much better and something is seriously wrong when abortion (under the auspices of women's reproductive healthcare) is prescribed to women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant, overwhelmed, lacking in support and resources. "Not only must we do better; women deserve better"

We must ensure that ERA is not ratified in Maine, that biological women can compete fairly in women's sports, and that women facing unplanned pregnancy have the support and resources to completely know all their choices.

Maine Right to Life believes we should follow the lead of the late Phyllis Schlafly and engage Maine citizens to not only find their way to the State Capitol, but engage with their local lawmakers, and to ultimately change laws! We are looking to develop Pro-Life chapters around the state. Please consider being a part of this effort.

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A meme Wonder Woman actress Gal Gadot shared on Instagram January 27, 2017.

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Let us not lose faith in the power of our weapons to transform even the most resolute abortion advocates."
~ Robert P George, Feb. 27, 2011

Maine Right To Life encourages our members to trust that the truth will prevail. Let the stories of conversion of some of the most ardent pro-abortion turned pro-life advocates be a beacon of hope, and a call to action to each of us, that simple actions done in loving and caring ways plant seeds that move and change lives.

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MAINE Abortion Update and Statistics

Abortions in Maine are on the rise.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, **the number of abortions increased to 2,021.**

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions**. MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.**

The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. **In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.**

Iowa, Minnesota, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii, and Maine commit telemed abortions.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan , and Waterville.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the 2nd trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from 3 in 2009 to 104 in 2018, but fell slightly in 2019 to 92.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is <u>still</u> NOT rare in Maine... with an average of

5.5 abortions committed EVERY DAY...

38.8 abortions EACH WEEK.

For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com

*Statistics provided my Maine CDC

Helpful Links

EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

www.mainerighttolife.com
www.nrlc.org (National Right to Life)
www.LifeNews.com
www.liveaction.com
www.centerformedicalprogress.org
www.HeartBeatInternational.org
www.all.org (American Life League)
www.feministsforlife.org
www.humanlife.org
www.aaplog.org (Pro-Life OBGYNS)
www.lifeissues.org
www.prolifeaction.org

POST ABORTION HELP

www.afterabortion.com (Elliot Institute)
www.rachelsvineyard.org
www.AbortionPillReversal.com

ABORTION BREAST CANCER LINK

www.abortionbreastcancer.com

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www.godparenthomeme.com
www.mercymultiplied.com
www.mothersetonhouse.com

ADOPTION SERVICES

www.caringadoptions.org
www.bethany.org
www.chask.org
www.mainechildrenshome.org

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

www.hh76.com
www.lifecyclebooks.com

EUTHANASIA

www.PatientsRightsCouncil.org
www.PatientsRightsAction.org
www.epcc.ca
www.lifeandhope.com (Terri Schiavo)
www.nrlc.org/euthanasia/willtolive
www.MaineHospiceCouncil.org

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www.teenbreaks.com
www.liveaction.org
www.studentsforlife.org
www.standupgirl.com
www.abstinence.net
www.medinstitute.org

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www.stemcellresearch.org
www.morningafterpill.org

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www.hearts4life.org
www.probikersforlife.com
www.christianliferesources.com
www.40daysforlife.com
www.silentscream.org
www.operationoutcry.org
www.roevwade.org
www.abortionresearch.com
www.sba-list.org

THE TRUTH ABOUT PLANNED 'BARREN'HOOD

www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.com
www.fightpp.org
www.stopp.org

FEELING CALLED TO HELP – BUT NOT SURE WHAT YOU CAN DO?

We hear this all the time: "I'm Pro-Life – but don't know what I can do to advance the cause". If this is you - this section is for you!

Here at Maine Right to Life, we tell people, we are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women. When you bring those red letters together, they spell: LAW! The truth is – we need to change laws at the state and federal level to save lives from womb to tomb.

Amid a very hostile political landscape, Maine Right to Life embraces the old adage: You catch more bees with honey, than you do with vinegar. The truth is on our side. Life is winning. The mainstream media narrative wants people to believe that abortion is women's reproductive healthcare, and the key to women's happiness is their right to control their body and what goes on in it. What the mainstream media sells short is the awesome power that only biological women have: The gift of their womb to bring precious and innocent new life into the world.

People inherently know the joy that a newborn brings. There is nothing happy and liberating about destroying new life in a woman's womb. And people naturally know this! The truth is: The majority of people are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice" – they may tell you, personally, they would never have an abortion, however they support a woman's right. Their support comes from the rhetoric that surrounds the issue; and for a variety of reasons, they aren't comfortable discussing the topic. You can be their breath of fresh air!

And, there is no time better than right now! Covid-19 has caused many people to suffer in silence. Some may suffer abortion remorse. Others facing an unplanned pregnancy may be feeling confused and in search of more hopeful options. Feelings of loss, isolation, depression, despair and hopeless-ness have led to record numbers of drug overdose deaths, suicide, and crime. Covid-19 has given rise to all of these conditions. People need to know that help is available. We can be a beacon of light and hope!

Please renew your membership, complete a volunteer form, and spread this good news resource to your friends. It's time to stand tall for life – together!

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1. **Educate yourself and others.** Click on the many links in this resource directory, and share this directory. Listen to some podcasts: National Review – For Life, Alexander Desanctis discusses social policy, the Pro-Life movement, religion and culture, Ben Shapiro, of the Daily Wire destroys the abortion argument, pick up Randy Alcorn's book, *ProLife Answers to Pro Choice Argument*
2. **Forge relationships with your local State Representative and State Senator.** No matter where they are on this issue, seek out a meaningful relationship with them. Thank them for serving – via email, personal notes, phone, or over coffee. If they are elected, they are serving you. Share your personal story about why you are Pro-Life, ask them to support Pro-Life legislation, ask them to vote against Pro-Abortion legislation. Commit today to get to know them. We've made this easy for you! See p.42-53. Also, consider helping a Pro-Life candidate get elected or re-elected. Get familiar with the bills before the legislature – both for and against Pro-Life issues. See bills p.41. Become familiar with how an idea YOU have, can become a bill, and then becomes a law p.38-39.
3. **Use your voice!** Write a letter to your editor in your local newspaper, or write an op-ed piece in a publication. Consider testifying before a legislative committee on a piece of legislation. See tips on p.34-36.
4. **Start a Pro-Life Book Club!** Why not read and discuss a good Pro-Life book together. Some good recommendations: *Subverted*, by Sue Ellen Browder, *Unplanned*, by Abby Johnson, *Life is Winning*, by Marjorie Dannenfelser, *Blackout*, by Candace Owens, *You Carried Me – A daughters memoir*, by Melissa Ohden – to name just a few! Do you have a book to recommend? We'd love to hear from you!
5. **Start a Pro-Life Chapter in your area**. Maine Right to Life is looking to form local chapters around the state. We provide training and resources – taking tips provided here, together we can grow together and hone our Pro-Life promotion skills. Please contact us to learn more!
6. **Harness the power of social media:** Though challenging today with recent censorship, we encourage you to share information on social media.
7. **Sidewalk counseling** with organizations, such as 40 days for Life, offer prayers and counseling outside abortion facilities. Participants stand at these facilities to let women know "we're here to help" – offering love, prayers, resources in Maine, hope, and options.
8. **Support Adoption.** Have you ever considered adopting a child? Imagine a women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy hearing the words: "I'll adopt your baby!" Though adoption may not be a realistic option for you, become familiar with Adoption Partners here in Maine p.57.
9. **Organize a walk in your community or set up a booth at a fair!** Contact us!
10. **Participate in our Annual Programs!** We love seeing people at Hands Around the Capitol, Respect Life Day at the Capitol, Community Walks, and Convention. While Covid-19 has put a damper on activities, we are hard at work, behind the scenes putting together resources that spread the Pro-Life message.

Letters to the Editor

How to write a letter to the editor in your local newspaper:

This guide provides links to many local newspapers' email addresses. Here are some tips: Most newspapers limit your word count to 250 words. Check with your specific newspaper. Letters to the editor are widely read, and are a great way to get the Pro-Life message out. A well written, thoughtful, compassionate piece can soften the narrative that depicts Pro-Life advocates as angry, judgmental religious zealots who have no compassion for women. Here are some helpful tips to keep your message positive and well received:

Go for the low hanging fruit! You won't convince the staunch abortion supporter. The majority of people don't identify as strongly Pro-Life or Pro-Abortion, rather – they are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice": They know in their heart that abortion is wrong, but for a variety of reasons, aren't comfortable saying so. Focus on one main idea, and provide supporting information. Consider your letter to be the vehicle that enlightens them that others feel as they do, and it is okay to say so!

Focus on the goal! Yes – we share a long-term goal of living in a culture where life is respected and protected from conception to natural death. When writing to the general public, present the issue as a human rights issue rather than a religious issue. There are people of every religious and political persuasion, as well as atheists. We can broaden our audience and convince more people when we simply focus on justice and reason.

Link to newspaper email list for submitting letters to the editor.

Tips for Effective Writing

- Be Charitable and Respectful.
- Stick to one main topic, supported by a few relevant points.
- Keep your audience in mind.
- Keep your goal in mind by
  - —correcting misinformation
  - —presenting information not widely know outside the pro-life movement
  - —being a credit to the movement by a clear respectful presentation of facts
- Present pro-life issues as human rights issues, not religious issues.
  - —Remember, you re trying to persuade people who do not share your religious beliefs.
  - —Recognize that in every human heart is an inate sense of justice, right and wrong, and the power to reason.
  - —By appealing to this reason and justice, you can win over people who will not be touched by religious arguments.

SAMPLE PRO-LIFE LETTERS!

Stem Cell Research...

I am writing to urge people to support life-saving stem cell research using adult stem cells and umbilical cord blood - not life-destroying *embryonic* stem cell research.

There is no controversy about the use of adult stem cells or cells obtained from umbilical cord blood; they are harvested with no harm to the donor, unlike embryonic stem cells, which are harvested by killing the embryos they are taken from.

Adult stem cells have been used successfully to treat at least 65 medical conditions including multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and 23 different types of cancer. Even though private funds have been poured into embryonic stem cell research for years, and some people want to take our tax dollars and pour more money into this research, there has not been one successful cure attributed to use of embryonic stem cells. In fact, evidence is that there are such serious problems associated with their use, such as uncontrollable tumor formation in the recipient, that cures from them are not likely to be seen for years, if ever.

Why would we want to support research that has an unlikely potential for success and that many feel is unethical when we have an alternative that is already working?

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Assisted Suicide . . .

I am sure that the proponents of physician-assisted suicide are motivated by compassion for the suffering of the severely disabled, or those near the end of a fatal illness. This proposal, however, is not in the interests of the sufferers themselves, and would ultimately be bad for society as a whole.

Studies show that those who request suicide are motivated not by the severity of their suffering, but by depression, which is highly treatable. Most such patients prefer to live once the depression has been treated. This law would pressure many who are severely disabled or close to death to choose suicide against their true wishes, in order to spare relatives the expense of continuing their medical treatment. Insurance companies would be tempted to steer people to doctor-administered suicide rather than treatments costing many thousands of dollars.

This law would have further consequences as well. By making doctors both protectors and takers of life, it would subvert patients' trust in their doctors. Finally, it would send a message that life is not a fundamental human right, but something that we should surrender (or that can be taken from us) when our lives become inconvenient. Consider the Netherlands, which in a few short decades has "progressed" from voluntary suicide to a point where doctors, on their own initiative, euthanize terminal patients or severely disabled babies.

Rather than passing this mis-guided and dangerous law, let us all work together to find ways to alleviate the suffering of those facing death in ways that respect human life.

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Abortion . . .

Abortion advocates claim that the abortion issue is not about what is right or wrong, but about "who decides --the woman or the state?"

These people don't seem to realize why the government exists. Since the U.S. government is based on the Constitution, we can assume that the Preamble says some important things about the purpose of government.

One purpose is to "establish justice."

What justice is there in a system that allows innocent people to be harmed at the whim of others? Just because women are bigger and stronger, should they be allowed to kill their own children? Because men wield more financial and political power, should women be abandoned to the despair of abortion?

What justice is there in a system that allows men to combine career and parenthood, yet demands that women choose between prosperity and their children's very lives?

Abortion is the most unjust institution this country has ever established. It pits mothers against their children, women against men, parents against their daughters. It usurps the rights of parents and fathers.

How long are we going to endure the injustice of more than 3,000 innocent people being killed daily? Do we deserve freedom if we abuse it in this way?

These are the questions we need to discuss. Does the government have a right to ban abortion? The better question is, what legitimate government would permit such an atrocity?

PriestsForLife.org

Help us to protect the Little Ones.

How to keep peaceful protest – peaceful:

Those who oppose Pro-Life supporters are on a mission to make us look bad, always. There may be thousands of people peacefully protesting abortion, and the media seeks out the one “bad” person. The media loves to portray Pro-Lifers as angry, judgmental, religious zealots who not only have no compassion for women, only care about stopping abortion to save a baby’s life, and do nothing for women or other’s lives beyond that.

Beware of the messenger who is determined to demonize you. Do not engage with them. Encourage others with you, not to engage with them. All it takes is a few people to become involved with counter demonstrators in a loud confrontation and surprise, surprise the TV cameras are right there. Give them no reason to capture you on film.

If there’s a public order to wear a Covid mask – please wear one. Peaceful non-mask wearing Pro-Lifers have been called hypocrites: *They want to save a fetus’ life, but they don’t care about people dying of Covid-19*.

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Legacy of Life

If you or a family member wish to include Maine Right to Life Committee in your Will, please contact us.

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Help us continue our life-saving work on behalf of the most vulnerable.

Baby, approximately 10 weeks after conception.

Path of Legislation in Maine

IDEA DEVELOPED

- A legislator decides to sponsor a bill, sometimes at the suggestion of a constituent, interest group, public official or the Governor.
- The legislator may ask other legislators in either House/Senate to join as co-sponsors.

BILL DRAFTED

- At the legislator's direction, the bill is prepared in proper technical form.

BILL INTRODUCED

- The legislator gives the bill to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate.
- The bill is numbered, recommended to a committee, printed, and placed on House/Senate calendar.

COMMITTEE ACTION

- Committee schedules and conducts a public hearing where it accepts testimony supporting and opposing the proposed legislation.

GENERAL ORDER

- The bill is reported to the floor of its origin (House/Senate) where it receives it's first reading.
- Any amendments to the bill are adopted at this time.
- The committee reports the bill to the originating body with one of five recommendations: 1.Ought to Pass (as is) 2. Ought to Pass as amended 3. Ought to Pass in New Draft 4. Ought Not to Pass. 5. Refer to Another Committee.

SECOND READING

- The next legislative day the bill is given its second reading and floor amendments may be offered.
- When one chamber has passed the bill to be engrossed, it is sent to the other body for its consideration.
- The House has a consent calendar for unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as amended bills which takes the place of First and Second readings.

SECOND CHAMBER

- The bill goes through a similar process in the second chanber. If the second chamber amends the bill, it is returned to the first chamber for a vote on the changes.
- It may then be sent to a conference committee to work out a compromise agreeable to both chambers.
- A bill receives final legislative approval when it passes both chambers in identical form.

GOVERNOR

- After final passage (enactment) the bill is sent to the Governor.
- The Governor has ten days in which to sign or veto the bill.
- If the Governor does not sign the bill and the Legislature is still in session, the bill after ten days becomes law as if the Governor signed it.
- If the Legislature has adjourned for the year the bill does not become law. This is called a "pocket veto." If the Legislature comes back into special session, the Governor on the 4th day must deliver a veto message to the chamber of origin or the bill becomes law.

LAW

- A bill becomes law 90 days after the end of the legislative session in which it was passed.
- A bill can become law immediately if the Legislature, by a 2/3 vote of each chamber, declares that an emergency exists. An emergency law takes effect on the date the Governor signs it unless otherwise spec ified in its text.
- If a bill is vetoed, it will become law if the Legislature overrides the veto by a 2/3 vote of those members present and voting of both chambers.

Legislation

How to get familiar with bills in the legislature:

This session, there are at least 11 Pro-Life bills – and more still coming. There are three Pro-Abortion bills that we are following as well.

When contacting your legislator, please do the following:

- In the subject line state: Support (or oppose) the LD # *NOTE: Currently, a number of bills have not yet been assigned LD #'s this session. This link will provide you an update, and let you know when the hearing is.*
- In the body, be courteous, and thank them for their service – state your reasons for or against.
- Be sure to include your name and your town at the end of your email and/or letter. This is very important! Legislators receive a lot of mail and they pay very close attention to people who are their constituents.

Congressman Henry Hyde

(Founder of the Hyde Amendment)

"When the time comes, as it surely will,

when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment,

I've often thought, as Fulton Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness.

You have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God --

and a terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine.

But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone.

I think there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world

but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world --

and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement.

They will say to God, 'Spare him, because he loved us!'"

Bills we are following this session – and what you can do about them!

Here are the bills we support:

Senator Trey Stewart

LD 825: *An Act to Ensure Equity in Women's Health Care Access in Maine by Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients of Options and Alternatives.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Abigail Griffin

LD 851: *An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed of Abortion Pill Reversal.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
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*LD : *An Act to Require Certain Medical Providers To Administer Ultrasounds and Provide Information to Pregnant Patients.*

Representative MaryAnne Kinney

*LD : *An Act To Protect Infants Who Are Born Alive Immediately Following Birth.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
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LD 1401: *An Act To Prohibit Biological Males from Participating in School Athletic Programs and Activities Designated for Females at Schools That Receive Federal Funding .*

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Senator Scott Cyrway

LD 1225 : *An Act To Provide Dignity for Fetal Remains by Requiring Their Interment or Cremation.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Representative Kathy Javner

LD 748: *An Act To Remove Coverage Under The MaineCare Program For Abortions Not Covered By Medicaid.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Billy Bob Faulkingham

LD 915: *An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
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Representative Beth O'Connor

LD 926: An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports.

Committee: EDU email: EDU@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Samuel Baker – Phone: 207-287-3125

Senator Lisa Keim

LD 1238: *An Act To Protect Women's Single-sex Shelters.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Patrick Corey

LD 560: *An Act To Amend the Safe Haven Laws.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Margaret Craven

LD 1064: *An Act to Advance Palliative Care Utilization in The State.*

Committee: HHS , email: HHS@legislature.gov
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Here are the bills we oppose:

Senator Cathy Breen

LD 811: *An Act To Protect the Reproductive Rights and Freedoms of Maine People.*

Committee: HHS email: HHS@legislature.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Representative Lois Reckitt

LD 344: *Resolution, Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on The Sex Of An Individual.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327,

Speaker Ryan Fecteau

LD 1538**:** *An Act To Protect the Rights of People Who Are LGBTQ in Maine.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
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How to testify on state legislation:

Each bill will be assigned an LD#. It will be assigned to a committee, which will schedule a public hearing for members of the public to weigh in – for, against, or neither for nor against.

- Be sure to note the bill, its designated committee, and address your testimony to the committee.
- Here is a live link to instructions, that will lead you through to actually uploading your testimony and sending directly to the committee.
- Please note that due to Covid-19, committees are conducting hearings via Zoom, and are asking for written testimony 24 hours before the hearing.

Mainepolicy.org provides a step-by-step through the live link.

The Christian Civic League of Maine provides a great tutorial on how to actually write and present your testimony.

***Note: Some LD#s were not available when this book was published.**

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Name of Legislation		Voted/Score	
Rejected	Lankford Amdt. - Hyde Amendment Protections on Provisions of COVID-19 Reconciliation 03/06/2021	Y	√
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/06/2021	N	√
Rejected	Sasse Amendment - Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/04/2021	Y	√
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act 02/25/2020	N	X
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2020	Y	√
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2019	Y	√
Rejected	The No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act 01/17/2019	N	X
Confirmed	Confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh as Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court 10/06/2018	Y	√
Rejected	Denial of federal funds to abortion providers (Paul Amendment) 08/23/2018	N	X
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week ban) 01/29/2018	N	X

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Party: Independent
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Elected: 2013

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Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 03/17/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Final Passage COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/10/2021	Y	X
Passed	H.R. 1, the So-Called "For the People Act of 2021" (restrictions on free speech) 03/03/2021	Y	X
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 02/27/2021	Y	X
Passed	The So-Called "Equality Act" 02/25/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Heroes Act - Abortion expanding provisions 10/01/2020	Y	X
Passed	Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Conscience/Title X/DC Hyde Amendment 07/31/2020	Y	X
Passed	Tax Subsidies for Abortion-Promoting Groups Overseas 07/24/2020	Y	X
Passed	Obamacare Expansion and Drug Price Controls 06/29/2020	Y	X
Failed	MTR Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/28/2020	N	X
Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 02/13/2020	Y	X
Failed	EPA Water Regulations and Unborn Children 01/10/2020	N	X

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Maine Senate

130th Legislature

The Maine Senate is made up of 35 seats. Currently the democrats hold the majority at 22 seats and the republicans holding 13 seats.

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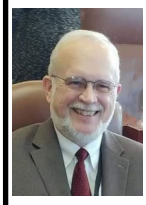

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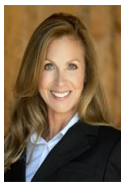

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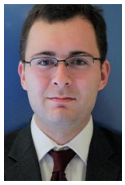

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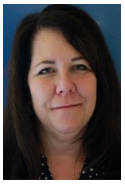

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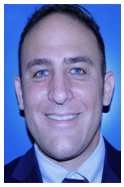

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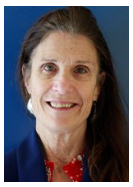

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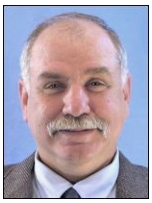

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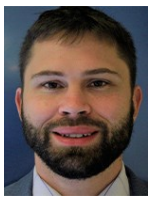

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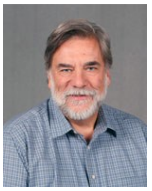

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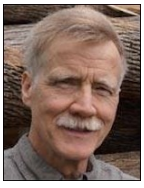

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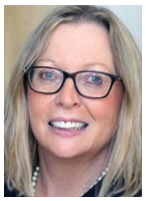

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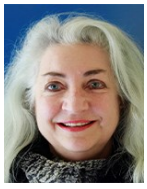

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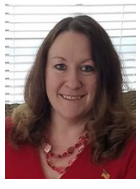

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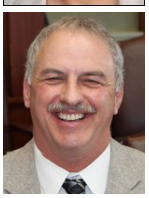

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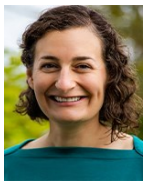

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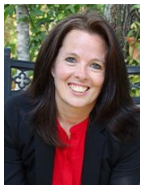

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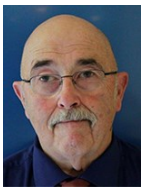

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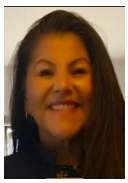

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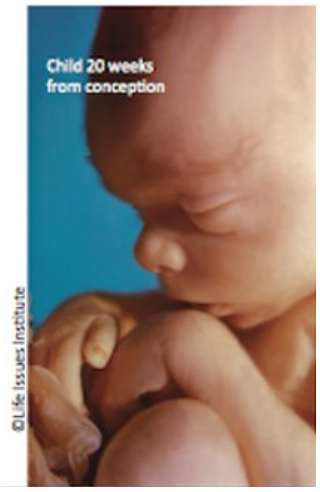

We Believe…

WOMEN facing an unwanted pregnancy deserve all the facts, and have the right to be fully informed before making this life or death decision for themselves and their unborn child.

WOMEN deserve compassionate and thorough counseling without being subjected to undue influence by groups who profit by directing the outcome towards abortion.

WOMEN should feel comfortable and respected for choosing life and never made to feel guilty or undeserving regarding their decision.

WOMEN deserve our support when their choice is life!
Women have earned and deserve accommodation at work, on campuses and in the community when choosing life.

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BANGOR

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- More members = louder voices!
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- Meet inspiring advocates who are pro-life, pro-active, and pro-woman.
- Become informed about Right to Life policy issues at the national and state level.
- Receive support and education to help you engage and promote life in a loving, caring, compassionate, and non-judgmental way.
- Together we can and will turn the tide from a culture of death to a culture of life!
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General:

___**40 Days for Life Program:** Maine Right to Life supports this program of peaceful prayer in front of an abortion clinic/ Planned Parenthood. Augusta (spring)____ Portland (fall)____ Bangor (fall)____

___**Mother's Day Project:** Maine Right to Life distributes flowers through church parishes and other groups to honor motherhood. Occurs in May. Are you affiliated with a church/parish or group?
Parish/group Name:_____Location:_____

___**Celebrate Life Walk:** Make celebrating the gift of life visible in your community. Walks happen statewide in July. I'm interested in ____being a walker _____organizing a walk in my area

___**Write a letter** to the editor/op-ed about life issues for your local paper.

___**Photographer** at Maine Right to Life events.

___**Distribute** current MRLC Resource Directories to Churches/Organizations

___**Chapter Groups:** Small local groups of volunteers that come together to promote the culture of life In Maine, by going to events contacting legislators and much more.
I am interested in : __Joining the Chapter closest to me __Creating a Chapter in my area.

Legislative:

___**Write** your local state Rep./Sen. and urge them to vote our way on bills in the legislature.
___Once ___On going

___**Come** to Augusta and hold signs in the statehouse on key legislation voting days/hearings.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I was a child, we played Opposite Day – everything said meant the opposite. The Pro-Abortion lobby plays this game and has been for a very long time. Their play on words hijacked the woman's movement, killed more than 63 million unborn babies, and changed the social order of society. They've influenced and disguised public policy, manipulated minds, and divided the country. It's time to recognize the lies, heal the wounds, and rise above the pain. There is hope. Join us!

Our beautiful state slogan is "***Maine – the way life should be.***" Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one of four states where deaths/year is greater than births. On average, there are 5.6 babies hoping to be born every day in Maine; instead, they are thrown away. Is this really the way life should be? We can change this!

Planned Parenthood's name implies a focus on family; they claim they provide "Women's Reproductive Healthcare." Both are deceptive lies. "Reproductive" is producing an offspring, certainly NOT killing babies. They are not only anti-family; they are the number one provider of abortions in the US, and they receive millions in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood also allegedly touts Black Lives Matter, yet their founder, Margaret Sanger, is a noted racist.

The Pro-Abortion lobby wants to write ERA into Maine's constitution. They've already tried several times, but they aren't giving up. Warning: This is NOT the ERA movement of the 1970's. Today's ERA could best be dubbed: **E**verything **R**elated to **A**bortion. It doesn't protect women; it hurts them. There are efforts to bring this to a state referendum. This is dangerous. Maine's future depends on us, you and me, defeating this measure!

And now some good news: Our Country is on the cusp of overthrowing Roe v. Wade. While we really hope it happens, some people are wondering what this would means for Maine? If Roe is overthrown, it simply means abortion policy and laws will revert to our state's existing laws; each state will be able to decide what works best for them. It is widely understood that Roe v. Wade was a bad decision from day one. The bad news is, currently, Maine has laws in place for Roe v. Wade to carry on in Maine if the court decision is overturned. **The people we elect to represent us in the Maine State Legislature matters**. Get to know your state lawmakers. Please consider running for office, encourage others to run, and support our Pro-Life candidates!

When we shift our focus to a culture of life, we begin to imagine Maine beyond Roe. When we shift taxpayer dollars that fund abortion today to Maine's pregnancy resource centers and adoption agencies tomorrow, and when we shift our attention to help post-abortive women heal with love, hope, redemption, and confidence to speak the truth, we heal Maine. Abortion does NOT give women freedom and empowerment; It hurts women, and it kills our state.

Maine – The Way Life Should Be cannot afford to fall prey to Opposite Day. Mainers deserve truth. Together let's keep our eyes on the prize – our culture of life. Thank you to our members, advertisers, patron donors and sponsor partners. Just as a baby in the womb needs its mother, without you, Maine Right to Life would not exist.

Join us!

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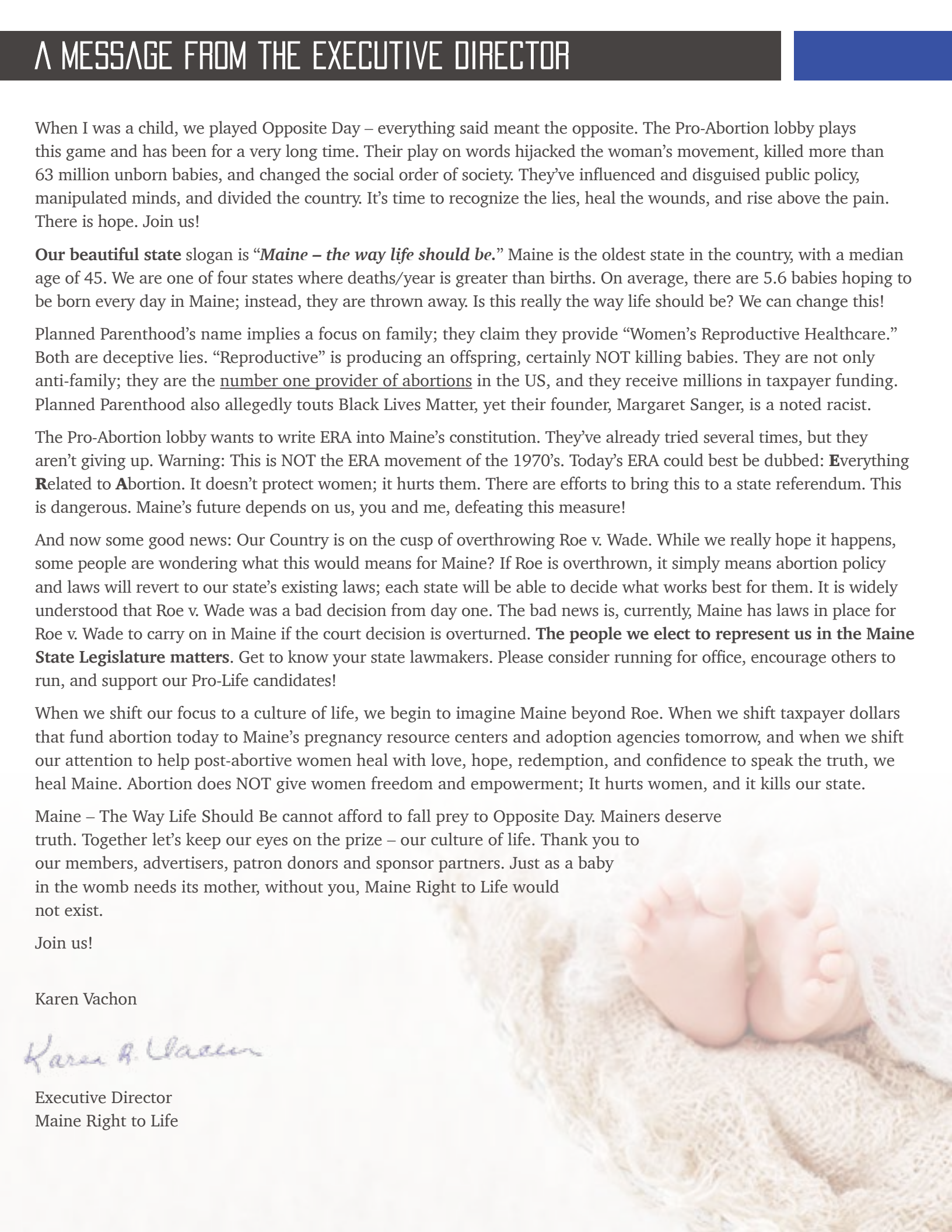

MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

PRO-WOMEN

Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Last year, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Most recently, a 22-year old Pennsylvania transgender swimmer took America's top trophy in university sports dashing the hopes of every other woman in the competition. Those who dare speak up against this are verbally assaulted.

What has gotten confused in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

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ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

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On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
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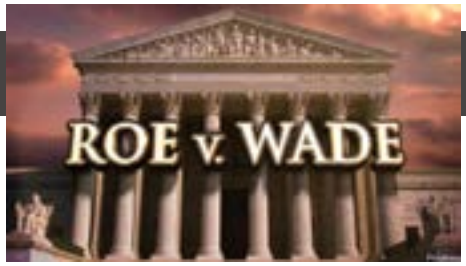
> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

BE IN THE KNOW WITH ROE AND DOE!



Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Republicans **Democrats**

Race	Name	Town
GOVERNOR	Paul LePage	Edgcomb
	Janet T. Mills	Farmington

Race	Name	Town
CONGRESS D1	Chellie M. Pingree	North Haven
	Edwin Thelander	Bristol
CONGRESS D2	Elizabeth M. Caruso	Caratunk
	Jared Forrest Golden	Lewiston
	Bruce Poliquin	Orrington

Race	Name	Town
STATE SENATE D1	Susan Y. Bernard	Caribou
	Troy Dale Jackson	Allagash
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	Harold L. Stewart III	Presque Isle
STATE SENATE D3	Shawn G. Bean	Madison
	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock
STATE SENATE D4	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn
	Andrea I. Thurlow	Atkinson Twp
STATE SENATE D5	Russell J. Black	Wilton
	Stanley A. Wheeler	Farmington
STATE SENATE D6	Jonathan C. Goble	Cherryfield
	Marianne Moore	Calais
STATE SENATE D7	Nicole C. Grohoski	Ellsworth
	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth
STATE SENATE D8	Abraham Woodman Furth	Old Town
	Eric Rojo	Lincoln
	Grace Ann Tibbetts	Lincoln
	Michael Tipping	Orono
STATE SENATE D9	Joseph M. Baldacci	Bangor
	James D. Plowman	Hermon
STATE SENATE D10	Ralph E. Cammack Jr.	Brewer
	Robert N. Cross	Dedham
	Peter A. Lyford	Eddington

Race	Name	Town
STATE SENATE D11	Glenn Chip Curry	Belfast
	Mary Anne Kinney	Knox
STATE SENATE D12	Laura A. Farnsworth	Rockland
	W. Scott Rocknak	Camden
STATE SENATE D13	David Levesque	Newcastle
	Cameron D. Reny	Bristol
	Abden Simmons	Waldoboro
STATE SENATE D14	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston
	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop
STATE SENATE D15	Matthew Gary Pouliot	Augusta
	Storme Jude St. Valle	Augusta
STATE SENATE D16	Mark R. Andre	Oakland
	Kevin D. Kitchin	Fairfield
	David P. LaFountain	Winslow
	Michael D. Perkins	Oakland
STATE SENATE D17	Jo-Jean Keller	Lisbon
	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner
STATE SENATE D18	Richard A. Bennett	Oxford
	Colin D. O'Neill	Oxford
STATE SENATE D19	Timothy Andrew Carter	Bethel
	Lisa M. Keim	Dixfield
STATE SENATE D20	Eric L. Brakey	Auburn
	Bettyann W. Sheats	Auburn

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STATE SENATE D21	Ricky R. LaChapelle	Lewiston
	Margaret R. Rotundo	Lewiston
STATE SENATE D22	James D. Libby	Standish
	Michael A. McKinney	Cornish
STATE SENATE D23	Matthea Elisabeth Daughtry	Brunswick
	Brogan P.K. Teel	Brunswick
STATE SENATE D24	Matthew R. Brackley	West Bath
	Eloise A. Vitelli	Arrowsic
STATE SENATE D25	Teresa S. Pierce	Falmouth
	Jennifer L. White	Gray
STATE SENATE D26	Timothy E. Nangle	Windham
	Gary E. Plummer	Windham
STATE SENATE D27	Kenneth A. Capron	Portland
	Jill C. Duson	Portland
	Jeffrey Tounge	Portland
STATE SENATE D28	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland
	Ryan M. McMann	Portland
STATE SENATE D29	Anne M. Carney	Cape Elizabeth
	John Wesley Lewis	Cape Elizabeth
STATE SENATE D30	Stacy Fielding Brenner	Scarborough
	Timothy J. Thorsen	Gorham
STATE SENATE D31	Donna Bailey	Saco
	Sharri K. MacDonald	Old Orchard Beach
STATE SENATE D32	David G. Corbett	Lyman
	Henry L. Ingwersen	Arundel
STATE SENATE D33	Matthew A. Harrington	Sanford
	Kendra A. Williams	Sanford
STATE SENATE D34	Bradley Scott Ducharme	Kennebunk
	Joseph E. Rafferty Jr.	Kennebunk
STATE SENATE D35	Mark W. Lawrence	Eliot
	Julie Rakic	Kittery

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STATE REP D1	Toby D. Jandreau	Fort Kent
	Austin L. Theriault	Fort Kent
STATE REP D2	Roger Clarence Albert	Madawaska
	Bernard Paradis	Cross Lake
STATE REP D3	Mark Michael Babin	Fort Fairfield
	David H. McCrea	Fort Fairfield
STATE REP D4	Timothy C. Guerrette	Caribou
	Jordyn Victoria Rossignol	Caribou
STATE REP D5	Kevin Gregory Freeman	Presque Isle
	Joseph F. Underwood	Presque Isle
STATE REP D6	Donald J. Ardell	Monticello
STATE REP D7	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton
	Gregory L. Swallow	Houlton
STATE REP D8	Tracy Lynn Quint	Hodgdon
	Kevin B. Ritchie	Lee
STATE REP D9	John Victor Chambers	Calais
	Anne C. Perry	Calais
STATE REP D10	Kenneth Ralph Davis Jr.	East Machias
STATE REP D11	Kendall M. Alley	Machias
	Roland Eben Rogers III	Jonesport
	Tiffany Strout	Harrington
STATE REP D12	Billy Bob Faulkingham	Winter Harbor
STATE REP D13	John Linnehan	Ellsworth
	Barbara W. Reeve	Ellsworth
STATE REP D14	Stephen A. Coston	Bar Harbor
	Duncan G. Haass	Lamoine
	Lynne A. Williams	Bar Harbor

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D15	Holly Eaton	Deer Isle
	Jason Manantan Joyce	Swan's Island
STATE REP D16	Stephen M. Hanrahan, III	Brooksville
	Nina Azella Milliken	Blue Hill
STATE REP D17	Sherman H. Hutchins	Penobscot
	Pamela W. Person	Orland
STATE REP D18	Meldon H. Carmichael	Greenbush
	Timothy B. Throckmorton	Dedham
STATE REP D19	Richard H. Campbell	Orrington
STATE REP D20	Jennifer Marie Morin	Brewer
	Kevin J.M. O'Connell	Brewer
STATE REP D21	Barbara A. Cardone	Bangor
STATE REP D22	Douglas K. Damon	Bangor
	Laura D. Supica	Bangor
STATE REP D23	David J. Pece	Bangor
	Amy J. Roeder	Bangor
STATE REP D24	Roderick Allen Hathaway	Veazie
	Joseph C. Perry	Bangor
STATE REP D25	Cameron S. Bowie	Orono
	Laurie J. Osher	Orono
STATE REP D26	James F. Dill	Old Town
	Christina M. Ouellette	Bradley
STATE REP D27	Gary Drinkwater	Milford
	Julie Vaillancourt	Milford
STATE REP D28	Natalie D. DiPentino	Enfield
	Jeffery Allen Gifford	Lincoln
STATE REP D29	Kathy Irene Javner	Chester
	Laurie E. York	TA R7 Wels (Dolby)

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D30	W. Louis Sidell Jr.	Guilford
	James Lee White	Guilford
STATE REP D31	Richard A. Evans	Dover-Foxcroft
	Chad Richard Perkins	Dover-Foxcroft
STATE REP D32	Steven D. Foster	Dexter
STATE REP D33	Danny E. Costain	Plymouth
	Donovan E. Todd, III	Etna
STATE REP D34	Abigail W. Griffin	Levant
	Frank LawrenceRoma	Glenburn
STATE REP D35	Candace T. Augustine	Hermon
	James E. Thorne	Carmel
STATE REP D36	Kristen M. Card	Hampden
	David G. Haggan	Hampden
STATE REP D37	Margaret D. English-Flanagan	Winterport
	Kevin J. Kelley	Winterport
	Reagan L. Paul	Winterport
STATE REP D38	Heather Elizabeth Garrold	Knox
	Benjamin C. Hymes	Waldo
	Robyn M. Stanicki	Unity
	Jesse J. Waryck	Brooks
STATE REP D39	Janice S. Dodge	Belfast
	Stephen J. Hemenway	Northport
STATE REP D40	Tricia M. Harrington	Liberty
	Stanley Paige Zeigler Jr.	Montville
STATE REP D41	Susan Lee Butterworth	Camden
	Victoria W. Doudera	Camden
STATE REP D42	Valli D. Geiger	Rockland
	Roger V. Tranfaglia	Rockland
STATE REP D43	Ann Higgins Matlack	St. George
	Heather Anne Sprague	Cushing

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STATE REP D44	Crystal L. Robinson	Hope
STATE REP D45	Clinton E. Collamore	Waldoboro
	Lynn J. Madison	Waldoboro
STATE REP D46	Lydia V. Crafts	Newcastle
	Merle James Parise, II	Newcastle
STATE REP D47	Edward J. Polewarczyk	Wiscasset
STATE REP D48	Thomas A. Moroney	Boothbay
	Holly B. Stover	Boothbay
	Tricia L. Warren	Boothbay Harbor
STATE REP D49	Allison L. Hepler	Woolwich
	Richard Henry Tetrev	Woolwich
STATE REP D50	Jason E. Desjardins	Bath
	Sean C. Paulhus	Bath
STATE REP D51	Linda L. Baker	Topsham
	Rebecca L. Jauch	Topsham
STATE REP D52	Seth A. Berry	Bowdoinham
STATE REP D53	Jane L. Beckwith	Randolph
	Michael Lemelin	Chelsea
STATE REP D54	Charles J. Bussell	Gardiner
	Karen L. Montell	Gardiner
STATE REP D55	Daniel Joseph Shagoury	Hallowell
	Phillip Ryan Wiseman	Hallowell
	Patrick B. Wynne	Hallowell
STATE REP D56	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales
STATE REP D57	Tavis Rock Hasenfus	Readfield
	Corey S. Wilson	Readfield

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STATE REP D58	Robert Smith Neal	New Sharon
	Daniel J. Newman	Belgrade
STATE REP D59	Raegan French LaRochelle	Augusta
	Micheal Raymond Michaud	Augusta
	James E. Orr	Augusta
STATE REP D60	William R. Bridgeo	Augusta
	William L. Clardy	Augusta
STATE REP D61	Richard T. Bradstreet	Vassalboro
	Amy J. Davidoff	Vassalboro
STATE REP D62	Katrina J. Smith	Palermo
	Pamela J. Swift	Palermo
	Jennifer V. Tuminaro	China
STATE REP D63	Phillip Bloomstein	Freedom
	Scott Wynn Cyrway	Albion
STATE REP D64	Colleen M. Madigan	Waterville
	Ruth Ann Malcolm	Waterville
STATE REP D65	Tammy Brown	Waterville
	Bruce A. White	Waterville
STATE REP D66	Alicia Barnes	Oakland
	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland
STATE REP D67	Shelley J. Rudnicki	Fairfield
	Robert Sezak	Fairfield
STATE REP D68	Amanda Noelle Collamore	Pittsfield
	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield
STATE REP D69	Dean A. Cray	Palmyra
	Stephen A. Hale	Canaan
STATE REP D70	Iver W. Lofving	Skowhegan
	Jennifer Lynn Poirier	Skowhegan
STATE REP D71	John E. Ducharme, III	Madison
	Allison Mary Perkins	Cornville

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Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D72	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden
STATE REP D73	Nancy J. Bessey	Dallas Plt.
	Vincent Michael House	Sandy River Plt.
	Michael Soboleski	Phillips
STATE REP D74	Randall C. Hall	Wilton
	Gregory M. Kimber	Temple
STATE REP D75	Tiffany E. Estabrook	Chesterville
	H. Scott Landry	Farmington
STATE REP D76	Tamara N. Hoke	Jay
	Sheila A. Lyman	Livermore Falls
STATE REP D77	Bonita L. Bishop	Hartford
	Jody W. Brown	Canton
	Tammy L. Schmersal-Burgess	Mexico
STATE REP D78	Josanne C. Dolloff	Milton Twp
	David P. Thurston	Bethel
STATE REP D79	Dannie D. Abbott	West Paris
	John E. Andrews	Paris
	Don R. Berry	Sumner
	Ryan G. Ricci	Paris
STATE REP D80	Caldwell Jackson	Oxford
STATE REP D81	H. Sawin Millett, Jr.	Waterford
	Daniel A. Sipe	Norway
STATE REP D82	Nathan Robert Leigh Burnett	Hiram
	Caleb Joshua Ness	Fryeburg
STATE REP D83	Donna Dodge	Denmark
	Sierra Dyan Scribner	Harrison
STATE REP D84	Barry F. Powers	Sebago
	Mark Walker	Naples

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D85	Kimberly J. Pomerleau	Standish
	Christopher V. Struebing	Standish
STATE REP D86	Jessica L. Fay	Raymond
	Gregory E. Foster	Raymond
	Karen L. Lockwood	Raymond
STATE REP D87	David W. Boyer	Poland
STATE REP D88	Patrick W. Munsell	Auburn
	Kathleen A. Shaw	Auburn
STATE REP D89	Adam R. Lee	Auburn
STATE REP D90	Amy Dieterich	Auburn
	Laurel D. Libby	Auburn
STATE REP D91	Hildie J. Lipson	Wayne
	Joshua K. Morris	Turner
STATE REP D92	Thomas Henry Martin Jr.	Greene
	Stephen J. Wood	Greene
STATE REP D93	Margaret M. Craven	Lewiston
	Robert Andrew McCarthy	Lewiston
STATE REP D94	Janet Inger Beaudoin	Lewiston
	Kristen Sarah Cloutier	Lewiston
STATE REP D95	Mana H. Abdi	Lewiston
	Fred O. Sanborn-Silvers	Lewiston
STATE REP D96	Jonathan M. Connor	Lewiston
	John V. Myrand	Lewiston
STATE REP D97	Scott Newman Gaiason	Lisbon
	Richard G. Mason	Lisbon
STATE REP D98	Orion Evenstar Breen	Pownal
	Joseph C. Galletta	Durham
	Guy M. Lebida	Bowdoin

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STATE REP D99	Stephen Warner Davis	Harpswell
	Cheryl A. Golek	Harpswell
	Michael J. Lawler	Brunswick
	Sheila S. Menair	Harpswell
STATE REP D100	Daniel J. Ankeles	Brunswick
	Andrew Kingman Kaleigh	Brunswick
	Angela D. Lallier	Brunswick
STATE REP D101	Poppy T. Arford	Brunswick
	Ravi Jackson	Brunswick
STATE REP D102	James J. Finegan Jr.	Freeport
	Gina B. LeDuc-Kuntz	Freeport
	Melanie F. Sachs	Freeport
STATE REP D103	Arthur L. Bell	Yarmouth
	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth
STATE REP D104	Amy Bradstreet Arata	New Gloucester
STATE REP D105	Anne Graham	North Yarmouth
	David Lawrence Reed	North Yarmouth
STATE REP D106	Barbara A. Bagshaw	Windham
	Jonathan E. Priest	Windham
	Thomas M. Tyler	Windham
STATE REP D107	Paul C. Fullam	Windham
	Michael David Hall	Windham
STATE REP D108	Stephanie R. Cressey	Gorham
	Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Gorham
STATE REP D109	James Allen Boyle	Gorham
	Joseph Edwards Velozo	Gorham
STATE REP D110	Scott William Jordan	Cumberland
	Stephen W. Moriarty	Cumberland
STATE REP D111	Amy D. Kuhn	Falmouth
	Christopher Mark Storms	Falmouth

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STATE REP D112	W. Edward Crockett	Portland
	Tammy Ryan	Portland
STATE REP D113	Grayson B. Lookner	Portland
STATE REP D114	Benjamin T. Collings	Portland
	Daniel L. Merrill	Portland
STATE REP D115	Michael F. Brennan	Portland
	Andrew Thomas Mahaleris	Portland
STATE REP D116	Dale J. Holman	Portland
	Samuel Lewis Zager	Portland
STATE REP D117	Matthew Moonen	Portland
		Portland
STATE REP D118	Rachel Talbot Ross	Portland
STATE REP D119	Peter Ignatius Doyle	Portland
	Susanne K. Robins	Portland
	Charles A. Skold	Portland
STATE REP D120	Michael J. Dougherty	So. Portland
	Victoria Morales	So. Portland
STATE REP D121	Christopher J. Kessler	So. Portland
	Tammy Walter	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D122	Lois Galgay Reckitt	So. Portland
STATE REP D123	Annie Christy	Cape Elizabeth
	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D124	Lisa Markowski	Scarborough
	Sophia B. Warren	Scarborough
STATE REP D125	Christopher A. Bolduc	Scarborough
	Christopher James Caiazzo	Scarborough

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STATE REP D126	Jean-Marie Caterina	Scarborough
	Andrew Gattine	Westbrook
	Leslie Eugene Smith Jr.	Saco
STATE REP D127	Ryan C. Poitras	Westbrook
	Morgan J. Rielly	Westbrook
STATE REP D128	Charles William Ellis	Westbrook
	Suzanne M. Salisbury	Westbrook
STATE REP D129	Stephen R. DuPuis	Saco
	Margaret M. O'Neil	Saco
STATE REP D130	Lynn H. Copeland	Saco
	Theodore L. Sirois	Saco
STATE REP D131	Scott B. Eccleston	Old Orchard Beach
	Lori Kathryn Gramlich	Old Orchard Beach
STATE REP D132	Timothy S. Keenan	Biddeford
	Erin R. Sheehan	Biddeford
STATE REP D133	Marc G. Malon II	Biddeford
STATE REP D134	Traci L. Gere	Kennebunkport
	Elizabeth A. Jordan	Kennebunkport
	Ronald C. Russell	Kennebunkport
STATE REP D135	Todd V. DiFede	Kennebunk
	Daniel Sayre	Kennebunk
STATE REP D136	Heidi H. Sampson	Alfred
	Joseph Andrew Wagner	Lyman
STATE REP D137	Nathan M. Carlow	Buxton
	Robert W. Faucher	Buxton
STATE REP D138	Mark John Blier	Buxton
STATE REP D139	Nancy Germaine Piche	Waterboro
	David Woodsome	Waterboro

Race	Name	Town
STATE REP D140	Wayne R. Parry	Arundel
	Kirstan L. Watson	Arundel
STATE REP D141	Patricia E. Kidder	Sanford
	Lucas John Lanigan	Sanford
	John M. McAdam	Sanford
STATE REP D142	Pamela Diane Buck	Sanford
	Joseph Robert Hanslip	Sanford
STATE REP D143	Wesley John Davie	Sanford
	Matthew J. Toth	Sanford
STATE REP D144	Jeffrey Sean Adams	Lebanon
	Corinna Cole	Lebanon
	Daniel M. Norwood	Acton
STATE REP D145	Daniel J. Hobbs	Wells
	Timothy M. Roche	Wells
STATE REP D146	Bradley S. Moulton	York
	Heath Ryan Ouellette	Ogunquit
	Walter Gerard Runte Jr.	York
STATE REP D147	Paul Hopfgarten	York
	David D. Koopman	York
	Holly T. Sargent	York
STATE REP D148	Thomas A. Lavigne	Berwick
	Margaret Wheeler	Berwick
STATE REP D149	Tiffany Danielle Roberts	So. Berwick
	Mark A. Rouillard	So. Berwick
STATE REP D150	Michele Meyer	Eliot
	David J. Rumery	Eliot
STATE REP D151	Kristi Michele Mathieson	Kittery
	Howard L. Patten	Kittery

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS

Acton	22
Albion	16
Alfred	33
Allagash	1
Alna	13
Alton	8
Amherst	6
Amity	2
Andover	19
Anson	5
Appleton	12
Argyle Township	8
Arundel	32
Ashland	1
Athens	5
Auburn	20
Augusta	15
Aurora	6
Avon	19
Baldwin	22
Bancroft Township	2
Bangor	9
Bar Harbor	7
Belgrade	15
Benton	3
Berwick	34
Bethel	19
Biddeford	32
Bingham	5
Blaine	2
Blue Hill	7
Boorthbay Harbor	13
Boothbay	13
Bradford	4
Bradley	10
Bremen	13
Brewer	10
Bridgewater	2

Bridgton	18
Brighton Plantation	5
Bristol	13
Brooklin	7
Brooksville	7
Brownfield	18
Brunswick	23
Buckfield	19
Bucksport	10
Burlington	8
Buxton	31
Byron	19
Cambridge	5
Camden	12
Canaan	3
Canton	19
Cape Elizabeth	29
Caratunk	5
Caribou	1
Carmel	10
Carrabassett Valley	5
Carroll Plantation	8
Carthage	19
Casco	26
Castine	7
Castle Hill	1
Caswell	1
Central Arrostook UT	2
Central Hancock UT	6
Central Somerset UT	5
Chapman	1
Charleston	4
Chebeague Island	23
Chelsea	14
Chester	2
Chesterville	5
China	15
Clifton	10

Clinton	3
Connor	1
Coplin Plantation	19
Corinna	4
Corinth	4
Cornish	22
Cornville	5
Cranberry Isles	7
Criehaven UT	12
Crystal	2
Cumberland	25
Cushing	12
Cyr Plantation	1
Dallas Plantation	19
Damariscotta	13
Dayton	32
Dedham	10
Deer Isle	7
Denmark	18
Dennistown Plantation	5
Detroit	3
Dexter	4
Dixfield	19
Dixmont	3
Dresden	24
Drew Plantation	2
Durham	20
Dyer Brook	2
Eagle Lake	1
East Central Franklin UT	5
East Central Penobscot UT	8
East Hancock UT	6
East Millinocket	2
Eastbrook Franklin	6
Easton	2
Eddington	10
Edgecomb	13
Edinburg	8

Eliot	35
Ellsworth	7
Embden	5
Enfield	8
Etna	3
eustis	19
Exeter	4
Fairfield	16
Falmouth	25
Farmindale	14
Farmiongton	5
Fayette	17
Fort Fairfield	1
Fort Kent	1
Frechville	1
Freeport	23
Frenchboro	7
Friendship	12
Frye Island	26
Fryeburg	18
Gardiner	14
Garfield Plantation	1
Garland	4
Gilead	19
Glenburn	4
Glenwood Plantation	2
Gorham	30
Gouldsboro	6
Grand Isle	1
Gray	25
Great Pond	6
Greenbush	8
Greene	17
Greenwood	19
Hallowell	14
Hamlin	1
Hammond	2
Hampden	10

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
Lewiston	21

Limerick	22
Limestone	1
Limington	22
Lincoln	8
Lincoln Plantation	19
Linneus	2
Lisbon	17
Litchfield	17
Littleton	2
Livermore	17
Livermore Falls	17
Long Island	25
Long Island	28
Louds Island UT	13
Lovell	19
Lowell	8
Ludlow	2
Lyman	32
Macwahoc Plantation	2
Madawaska	1
Madison	3
Magalloway Plantation	19
Manchester	14
Mapleton	1
Mariaville	6
Mars Mill	2
Marshall Island UT	7
Masardis	1
Matinicus Isle Plantation	12
Mattawamkeag	2
Maxfield	2
Mechanic Falls	18
Medway	2
Mercer	5
Merrill	2
Mexico	19
Milford	8
Millinocket	2
Milton Township	19
Minot	18
Monhegan Plantation	13

Monmouth	14
Monticelo	2
Moose River	5
Moro Plantation	2
Moscow	5
Mount Chase	2
Mount Desert	7
Mount Vernon	15
Muscle Ridge Islands UT	12
Naples	22
Nashville Plantation	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	20
New Limerick	2
New Portland	5
New Sharon	5
New Sweden	1
New Vineyard	5
Newburgh	10
Newcastle	13
Newfield	22
Newport	3
Newry	19
Nobleboro	13
Norridgewock	3
North Berwick	34
North Franklin UT	19
North Haven	12
North Oxford UT	19
North Penobscot UT	2
North Yarmouth'	25
Northeast Somerset UT	5
Northwest Aroostook UT	1
Northwest Hancock UT	6
Northwest Somerset UT	5
Norway	18
Oakfield	2
Oakland	16
Ogunquit	35
Old Orchard Beach	31

Old Town	8
Orient	2
Orland	7
Orono	8
Orrington	10
Osborn	6
Otis	10
Otisfield	18
Owls Head	12
Oxford	18
Palmyra	3
Paris	18
Paronsfield	22
Passadumkeag	8
Patten	2
Penobscot	7
Penobscot Indian Island	8
Perham	1
Peru	19
Phillips	19
Piscataquis Countty	4
Pittsfield	3
Pittston	14
Pleasant Ridge Plantation	5
Plymouth	3
Poland	20
Portage Lake	1
Porter	22
Portland	27
Portland	28
Pownal	23
Prentiss Township	8
Presque Isle	2
Randolph	14
Rangeley	19
Rangely Plantation	19
Raymond	26
Readfield	14
Reed Plantation	2
Ripley	5

Rockland	12
Rockport	12
Rome	5
Roxbury	19
Rumford	19
Sabattus	17
Saco	31
Sagadahoc County	24
Saint Agatha	1
Saint Albans	5
Saint Francis	1
Saint George	12
Saint John Plantation	1
Sandy River Plantation	19
Sanford	33
Scarborough	29
Scarborough	30
Sebago	22
Seboeis Plantation	2
Seboomook Lake UT	5
Sedgwick	7
Shapleigh	22
Sherman	2
Sidney	15
Skowhegan	3
Smithfield	5
Smyrna	2
Solon	5
Somerville	13
Sorrento	6
South Aroostook UT	2

South Berwick	35
South Bristol	13
South Franklin UT	19
South Oxford UT	19
South Portland	29
South Thomaston	12
Southport	13
Southwest Harbor	7
Springfield	8
Square Lake UT	1
Stacyville	2
Standish	22
Starks	5
Stetson	3
Stockholm	1
Stonham	19
Stonington	7
Stow	19
Strong	5
Sullivan	6
Sumner	19
Surry	7
Swans Island	7
Sweden	18
Temple	19
The Forks Plantation	5
Thomaston	12
Tremont	7
Trenton	7
Turner	17

Twombley Rodge Township	8
Union	12
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STOP THINK ACT

Maine Right to Life cordially invites you to stand tall, come together and restore the proper slogan: Maine – The Way LIFE Should Be!

We are Pro-LIfe, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women, and we have had enough of peing cooped up, silenced, and diminshed because we love and cherish the sanctity of human life from womb to tomb and we love the beautiful state of Maine.

Maine Right to Life is gathering people who value life – in all its forms – to provide a safe haven to come together, learn about the Pro-Life movement, interact with our decision makers in Augusta, and become strong and informed advocates for life – the way LIFE should be in Maine. If you love life and love Maine, please join us!

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WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

SAY	DON'T SAY
Decisions, Alternatives, Options	Choice
Unborn child, Pre-born Child, Baby	Fetus
She or He	It (about the baby)
Mother	(Pregnant) Woman
Abortionist	Doctor, Physician
Abortion Facility	Clinic, Hospital
Abortion Industry	Reproductive Health Care Providers, Family Planning Centers
Abortion	Reproductive Health Care, Termination of Pregnancy
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Pro-Life	Anti-Abortion
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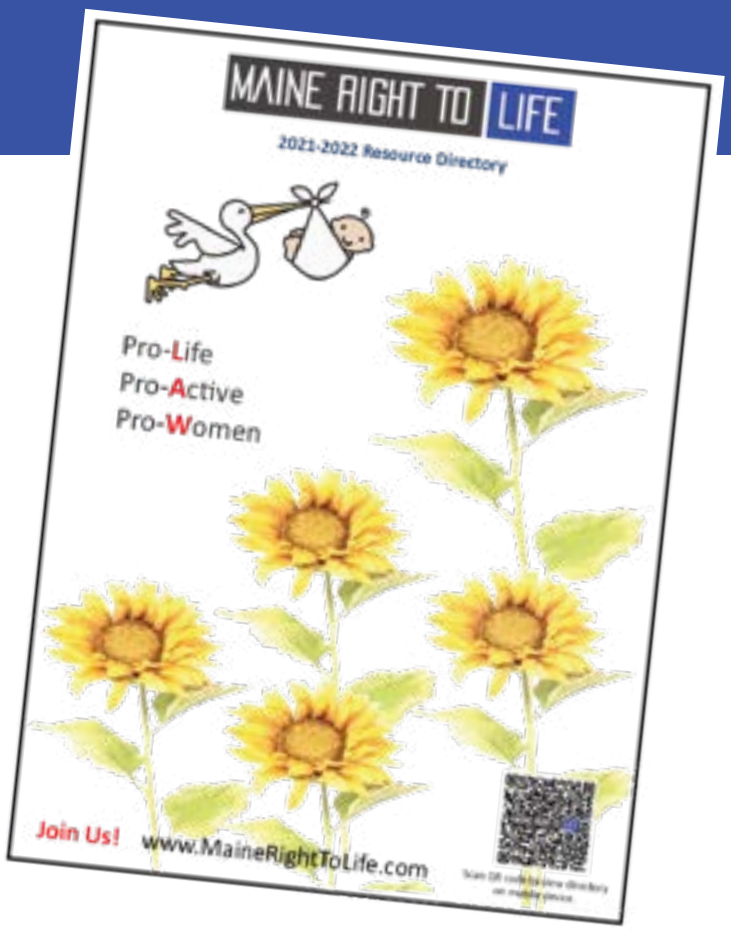

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Karen Vachon, Executive Director

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Response to Gov. Mills' Executive Order about "Reproductive Health Care" in Maine

62% of Mainer's opposed the taxpayer funding of abortion. I wonder how Mainer's feel about funding abortions for out-of-stater's, at a time when native Mainer's are struggling to pay rent, buy groceries, and put gas in their cars. I also wonder if women looking to come to Maine for an abortion are aware that Maine:

1. Has no laws requiring safety and cleanliness inspection of abortion clinics.
2. Passed a new law that allows non-doctors to perform abortions.
3. Abortionists are not required admitting privileges to local hospitals if and when something goes wrong.

Not only does Governor Mills executive order (like the abortion industry) calls abortion women's reproductive healthcare, when, in fact and truth, there is nothing reproductive about it (the word "reproductive" means to produce an offspring). Abortion is the taking of an innocent, voiceless human life. Her executive order seeks to review all current laws concerning abortion and lift further restrictions and barriers. Governor Mills executive order is dangerous. Women in Maine and out-of-state deserve better.

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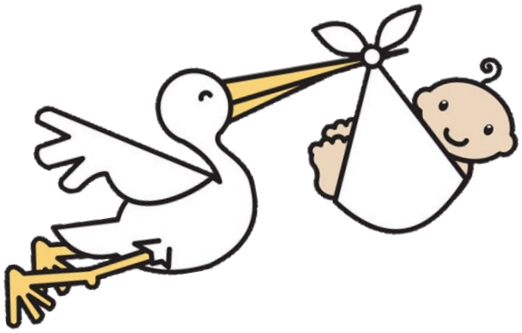

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Pro-**W**omen

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A message from the Executive Director,

Thomas Jefferson's Declaration of Independence states: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Covid-19 has brought the fragility of life to the forefront. The epidemic began with a message: We are all in this together. The brutal racial death of George Floyd united America in outrage and condemnation. We were all in this together…

Next, Black Lives Matter turned peaceful protests violent— looting, chaos, mayhem, and killing followed. White people were shamed for having "white privilege" and deemed racists, whether they know it or not. Police departments and police officers were judged racist and guilty of police brutality. Demands to defund the police followed.

Historic monuments and statues tumbled, allegedly, to erase America's racist past. Among the toppled were historic tributes to figures who raised America out of slavery, such as the Lincoln Emancipation Memorial, statue of Thomas Jefferson, and statue of abolitionst, Hans Christian Heg. Yet, the bust of the Founder of Planned Parenthood, Margaret Sanger, a known racist, still stands in the National Portrait Gallery. It begs the question: Why? And why hasn't there been calls to defund Planned Parenthood?

Identity politics divides our country. If you don't promote Black Lives Matter; you're a racist. Free speech is being denied. Censorship prevails. "Group think" controls the narrative. This powerful force makes people victims (a new form of human slavery) . It is doing more harm than good, and is destructive to women, minorities, and the traditional family. The spirit of the human heart and America is in peril.

We've seen in our history, abominations that have led people down dark paths. America has grown from the atrocities of slavery. America can grow from the atrocities of racism and abortion, too. It's time for every individual to embrace a personal journey of character perfection, and ponder the evils of group think that lures our nation down dark paths. We can't afford not to.

There's been a shift. Once upon a time, Jesse Jackson called abortion "black genocide", comparing abortion to slavery. Jackson condemned the idea that a baby was the personal property of the mother – who could do as she pleased. He likened this to slavery on plantations – protest was forbidden because plantations were private. Speaking at the 1977 March for Life, Jackson asked: "What happens…to the moral fabric of a nation that accepts the aborting of the life of a baby without a pang of conscience?"

Martin Luther King envisioned a colorblind America based on individual character, rather than identity politics. We need to move beyond victimhood. Government power and control is not the solution. Power resides within every human being. Each of us, created unique with purpose, to be our best. No one person better than anyone else.

Now, more than ever, we must come together, hone our courage, find our voices, and defend life from womb to tomb. The innocent unborn, exploited, downtrodden, sick and aging need our compassionate, tender, loving care. Maine Right to Life believes that every life matters, no matter who you are and where you are in life's journey.

Karen Vachon
Executive Director

Who we are:

Maine Right to Life Committee is a state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee and is a statewide non-profit corporation. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human life. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, doctor assisted suicide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

Our advertising arm of Maine Right to Life is Maine Vitae Society, who designs and funds our major media advertising campaigns through TV and internet. This division is 100% volunteer, and is a 100% separate fundraising division.

We are Pro-Life, Pro-Active and Pro-Women. This resource guide seeks to inform, educate, and motivate all walks of life to defend life from womb to tomb. Wherever you are in your life: if you are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, post abortion remorse, sexual exploitation, addiction, or depression – there is help, support, inspiration, and motivation in these pages. Life is a journey of which you are never alone. This resource guide is available in hard-copy and electronic copy with hyper-links to deep dive the topics.

We hope you will become a compassionate active member of Maine Right to Life.

Why we do what we do…

Today, a woman's right to abortion is referred to as "women's reproductive healthcare", and in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, access to an abortion is considered an "essential service". American abortion policy is among the most permissive in the world. In fact, the US is one of only seven countries that allows abortion after 20 weeks' gestation – for any reason, no questions asked. And no matter how you feel about this, your tax dollars fund and promote this. But it hasn't always been this way! And it doesn't need to stay this way. America faced the atrocities of slavery and changed. Our hope is America will face the atrocities of abortion and change. It can be done by taking action and changing laws. Get to know your lawmakers today! (p.42-53)

48th Memorial
Roe v. Wade

The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade*

62,502,904

Total abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2017,
with 3% added for GI estimated possible 3-5% undercount for 1973-2014.
Another12,000 per year added for 2015-2020 for abortions from "providers" GI says it may have missed in 2015-2017 counts. (1/21)

Rest in Peace, Most Precious Little Ones.

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Maine Right to Life
Annual Events

**We hope to hold all our events this coming year.
Exact dates and times will be determined according to Maine State gathering guidelines surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.**

Hands Around the Capitol Rally and March

Held in January in Augusta, ME. This event is where we publicly recognize and mourn the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade while providing an intense impact on those who witness our solemn march.

Respect Life Day at the Capitol

Held in February, it is a wonderful opportunity to meet with pro-life leaders from across Maine and learn first-hand what is new and exciting in the respect life movement. Families, singles, students, and seniors are welcome to join us, along with respect life organization from across Maine including our life-saving Pregnancy Support Centers, Hospice, the Knights of Columbus, and others. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet your local Maine legislators while at the Capitol.

Flowers For Mother's Day

This May project recognizes the sacrifices of motherhood by providing fresh flowers to all the well deserving Moms in your Parish, organization or club. In addition to thanking moms for their gift of life, your participation in this program also helps us promote a Culture of Life right here in Maine.

Celebrate Life Walk

Held in July at several locations throughout Maine. Join family, friends, and community leaders in a 2 mile pro-active, pro-life walk. Build the culture of life—one step at a time!

MRLC Convention

Annual Convention

We truly hope you'll join us in the Fall, along with pro-life leaders from across the state! We will be making important announcements along with an informative and relevant, pro-life keynote speaker.

MAINE VITAE SOCIETY

Maine Vitae Society was formed in 1997 with the express purpose of using major media to educate the general public about abortion. It was long known that traditional media outlets were not providing a true picture of abortion and that we would have to educate the public ourselves if we wanted the truth to be known.

Even though it is a part of Maine Right to Life, Maine Vitae Society is quite unique. It receives no funding from the parent organization and is directed and operated solely by volunteers. All funds raised are restricted and can be used only for major media advertising. Because of the total volunteer structure there are no fund raising expenses so that virtually every dollar raised goes directly to advertising.

Maine Vitae Society launched its initial advertising campaign in January 1999 after raising more than $125,000. That first campaign which lasted three months was run on the major TV networks in the Portland and Bangor markets. Since then Maine Vitae Society has expanded its TV advertising into all parts of Maine including Aroostook County and utilizes cable as well as network.

Today, Maine Vitae Society can quietly affirm that it has run over 125,000 thirty-second commercials since its modest beginning in 1999. Even though it is on the air at various times of the year, its most intensive campaign continues to take place during the January - April period when a high percentage of abortions occur and TV viewership is high. The response from viewers, both those pro-life and those with strong abortion rights convictions, remains high and indicates that the truth is indeed getting through.

In mid-2005 after much study and research, Maine Vitae Society decided to expand its major media advertising by adding the Internet to its schedule. This was done in order to reach teens and young adults more directly. Extensive research had proven that the Internet was that age group's medium of choice to get news and information and where a lot of its views were being formed. Maine Vitae Society has to advertise on the Internet if it wants to influence this large 12-24 age group.

We advertise on Google 24/7 and steadily on social media as well, in order to urge Maine teenagers and young adults to click onto the marvelous pro-life website, "Teenbreaks.com," owned and managed by The Rosetta Foundation. This website was started in January 2003 and the results have proven impressive. It tells the truth about abortion with real, current and moving stories from young girls who have aborted and have sorrowfully and painfully regretted it. It also tells the stories of girls who have rejected abortion, chosen life, adoption and a more happy future. There are other segments which describe abortion most graphically, encourage adoption, abstinence, and the development of self respect.

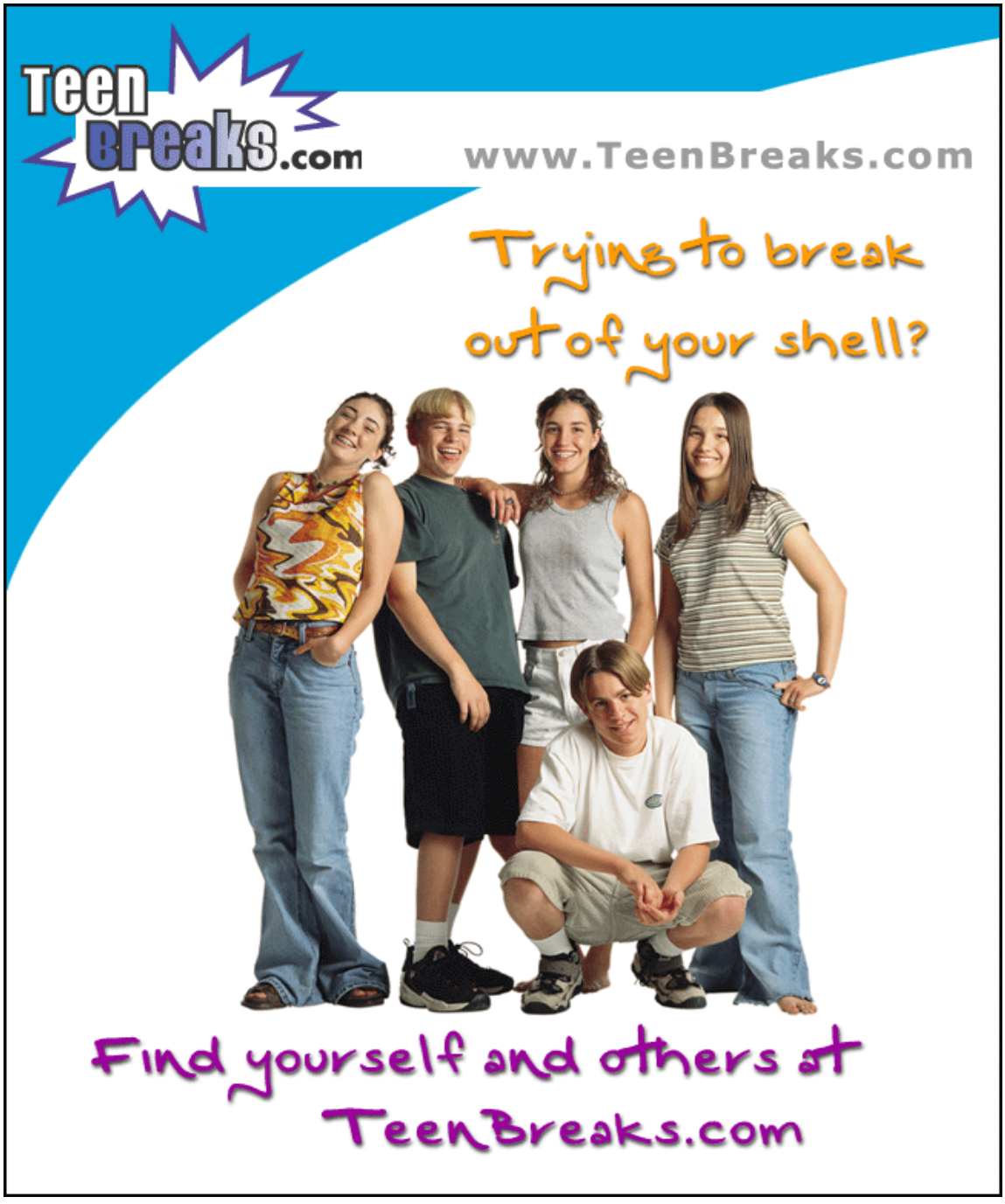
Maine Vitae Society is delighted with the results of its Internet advertising aimed at young people. Since 2006, its first full year of existence, teen abortions in Maine have declined from 483 to 203, a significant slide of almost 60%.

The young are the future and fortunately they are increasingly pro-life. Maine Vitae Society is grateful to have this highly effective website to promote and offer to Maine teenagers and young adults.

Maine Vitae Society plans to continue its dual approach by advertising on both TV and the Internet. It expresses, once again, its sincere gratitude to its generous donors who have made it all possible.

Carl J. Maddaleni
Director, Maine Vitae Society

"There is no such thing as an unwanted child. There are only children whose families have not been found."
-Joleigh Little Bass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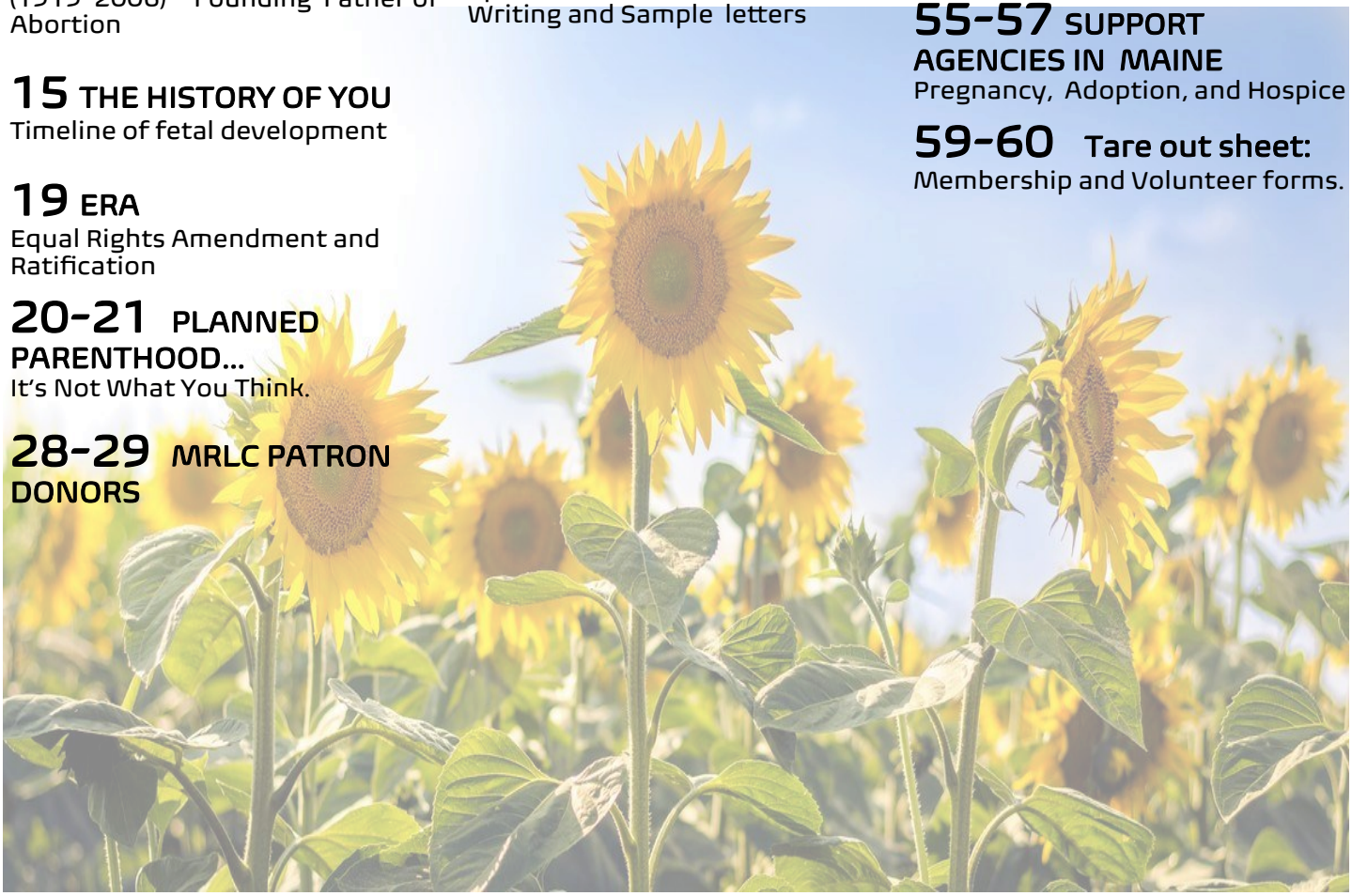

PRO-LIFE

Why the Pro-Life movement? History of contraception, abortion, and Roe V Wade

There's been a shift in law and attitude. Once upon a time, life in the womb was most sacred. Contraception was illegal. Abortion was a crime. Protecting the life of the unborn was paramount – a fetus was recognized as a human being with rights and opportunity to prosper. The family took center stage. In today's altered society our controlled narrative and laws couldn't care less about the unborn, self-interest is paramount, gender has been deconstructed and marriage re-defined, all in the name of equal rights.

Anthony Comstock, a devout Christian from New York City, observed his city teeming with prostitution and women being exploited. He believed contraception was lewd, immoral, and promoted promiscuity. He went to Washington, DC to do something about this. The Comstock Act passed in 1873. Known as the Anti-Obscenity Law , which prohibited the sale and possession of birth control. Information promoting birth control was deemed "Articles of immoral use". Many states passed laws prohibiting the sale of contraceptives.

Back in 1927, conception determined when human life began. The American Medical Association urged state legislatures to pass laws to protect the unborn. Every state passed laws that made abortion a serious crime.

From 1880 to 1930 there was a transition period to a new sexual order which would undermine the traditional family and ultimately lead to the sexual revolution in the 1960's, setting the course for a new social order.

Margaret Sanger was a birth control advocate who challenged the law in 1916 when she opened the first birth control clinic in NYC. Following her arrest, the 1918 Crane decision allowed women to use birth control for therapeutic purposes. In 1920, The American Birth Control League (later to become known as Planned Parenthood) was founded. By 1936 the US Court of Appeals decision permitted doctors to distribute contraceptives across state lines, giving legitimacy to the birth control industry. This changed the public attitude on birth control. Once opposed, Christian Churches warmed to morally accepting birth control, though the Catholic Church remained opposed. Birth rates dropped significantly.

At first, falling birth rates didn't cause alarm. The population control movement was in full swing against a looming threat of third-world, poor, communist countries having too many

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PRO-ACTIVE

History of women's activism.

July 13, 1848 marks the very beginning of the women's movement. On this day, housewife and mother, Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1920) gathered four women, including Lucretia Mott (1793-1889) for tea. Discontented over the limitations of women in America, Stanton was the only non-Quaker in the group. The women took action! Five days later a convention was held at the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls, NY. Other than a small advertisement in the local newspaper, the event was barely publicized.

Stanton drafted The Declaration of Sentiments. Modeled after the Declaration of Independence, the Declaration of Sentiments stated "all men and women are created equal". The convention at Seneca Falls was held to discuss social, civil and religious rights of women; their grievances and demands, and a call to constitutionally guarantee women's rights to equality as US citizens, which included the right to vote. This began the Suffrage movement. The declaration was signed by 68 women and 32 men and formalized the start of the Women's Rights Movement in the US.

Friends Susan B. Anthony (left) and Elizabeth Cady Stanton (right).

Stanton met Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) in 1851. Anthony had seven brothers and sisters, and at a very young age, was inspired by the Quaker belief that everyone was equal under God. This belief was the foundation of her life's work. She became an activist, uninhibited by social rules that women shouldn't speak publicly, she passionately delivered speeches against slavery. Stanton and Anthony became friends, and spent the next 50 years fighting for women's rights. Together, they co-founded the American Equal Rights Association, and in 1868, published *The Revolution* – a publication that promoted equality and rights for women.

Education and political rights were considered privileges of the upper class, but the voices of the movement also included non-white ordinary women. Sojorner Truth, (1797 – 1883) a former slave, became the voice that bridged the ordinary with the elite. Though she couldn't read or write, she became a charismatic speaker against the evils of slavery. When she met Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B Anthony, she joined the women's movement delivering her famous speech: "Ain't I a Woman" where she challenged racial and gender inferiority and inequality.

Temperance, abolition of slavery, and women's rights were the social issues of the time. Many courageous women became activists, taking to the lecture circuit in the 1860's and 1870's. They held popular and effective rallies. Some women activists had more than 200 speaking engagements a year. While they were focusing on suffrage, they were pushing for equal rights of women, overall. In 1866, the American Equal Rights Association (AERA) was founded to "secure Equal Rights to all American citizens, especially the right of suffrage, irrespective of race, color, or sex". Lucretia Mott was AERA's president.

There wasn't always agreement, and a schism occurred over ratification of the 15th amendment. Anthony and Stanton were against it because, in giving black men the right to vote, they believed the women's right to vote should be included. They believed the two issues belonged together, and should be fought at the federal level. They formed the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA). Opponents believed the immediate expansion of citizenship rights to former slaves would be jeopardized by including voting rights to women; they believed woman's suffrage should best be achieved through amendments to individual state constitutions. They formed the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA).

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Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. Abortion is man's ultimate control over a woman's ability to birth and raise children. The women of Betty Friedan's generation never realized men were and still are dictating who has children and who does not. Betty, herself was steered off course, by journalist and friend, Larry Lader who convinced Betty, his agenda - over population - could sell abortion. It was Lader who developed the language: A woman should have the right to control her own body. The woman's movement was hijacked by a white man whose agenda was population control.

To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Recently, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Can you guess who is being vilified? … The girls.

What has been misleading in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through, became a political lightning rod, yet to be ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was".

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Margaret Sanger – 1879-1966

If Margaret Sanger had her way, she would be remembered as the prominent leader of the birth control movement who liberated women and gave them sexual freedom. Don't be fooled!
Margaret Sanger is the kingpin architect who launched the most thriving crusade against women, minorities, and the dis-abled.

She is depicted guardedly and deceitfully in the history books – all part of her master plan to set and control a narrative that is being played out today.

Contrary to what we have heard, Margaret Sanger was not a compassionate liberal woman who dedicated her life's work out of concern for poor minority women and their families, and women's reproductive healthcare. Rather, she was closely associated with leaders of the eugenics movement, which include Lawrence Lader (author of her biography) and Alan Guttmacher, who played a pivotal role in the founding of Planned Parenthood.

Margaret Sanger was the sixth of eleven children, born to poor Irish immigrant parents in Corning, NY. Her father advocated for socialism and was an outspoken critic of the Catholic church. Her mother was Catholic, and died at age 50 of tuberculosis. Sanger claimed her premature death was caused by eleven childbirths and seven miscarriages. She lashed out at Catholic clergy and her father for causing her mother's death, hence committing her life's work to perfect contraception to relieve women from the horrible stain of repeated, unwanted pregnancies.

Raised in poverty, she married into wealth and settled in Greenwich Village, NY, where she became closely associated with leading figures in the eugenics movement, believing that some human races were superior to others and therefore, superior races should be encouraged to reproduce, while inferior members of society, such as the poor or minorities should be regulated and controlled

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Sanger published *The Birth Control Review in 1917. In the May 1919 edition, she wrote: "More children from the fit, less from the unfit – that is the chief aim of birth control." In November 1921's edition, she declared, "birth control: to create a race of thoroughbreds."*

That same year, she founded the American Birth Control League (later to become Planned Parenthood).

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Lawrence (Larry) Lader (1919-2006) – Founding Father of Abortion

Amid today's labeling of white supremacists, bashing white men who know nothing about women's health, and untenable sexual abuse and exploitation of women, it may come as a surprise to learn that legalized abortion was introduced, promoted, and advanced by Larry Lader –a white man, who today is revered as the "The Founding Father of Abortion.".

Abortion had rightly been viewed as a societal taboo, but that all changed with Lader's revolution to normalize the killing of unborn and unwanted children. Long–standing social pressures had forced a man to care for a child conceived outside of marriage, and women could legally pursue a man who impregnated her. There was strong family and community support for both the couple and the baby. The 19th century, however, saw a rise in abortion activity, which was initially prevalent among the young female servant class of immigrants without family, giving rise to prostitution.

For mainstream America, abortion was thought barbaric. Wealthy women would find willing medical doctors to perform abortion and the poor sought abortions in back alleys. Even Margaret Sanger objected to legalized abortion. When she drove by prostitutes standing in line for their abortions, she saw birth control as the solution.

Lader viewed this differently. He envisioned a day when the social stigma of abortion would be removed. Abortion would be safe, provided on demand, by doctors, and federally funded. To achieve this, he said: "every revolution has to have a villain." To grab attention he needed to shift, divert, divide, and confuse the issue. He targeted the women's movement, doctors, and, his villain –the hierarchy of the Catholic Church, - under the guise of population control, medical safety, and women empowerment.

Finding power, clout and influence in his pen – Lader wrote articles that interested him. He re-shaped social order, coined new language, and fed a narrative that ignored truth, facts, and laws. By hoodwinking, seducing, and coercing powers of influence, he was hell-bent to legalize abortion and promote unrestricted sexual freedom.

He wasn't a researcher or scientist, rather, a journalist with an agenda, determined to make a name for himself. He was successful! Cited at least seven times, as a material expert, in the 1973 Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision – this would hardly be the crescendo to his life's work. He turned

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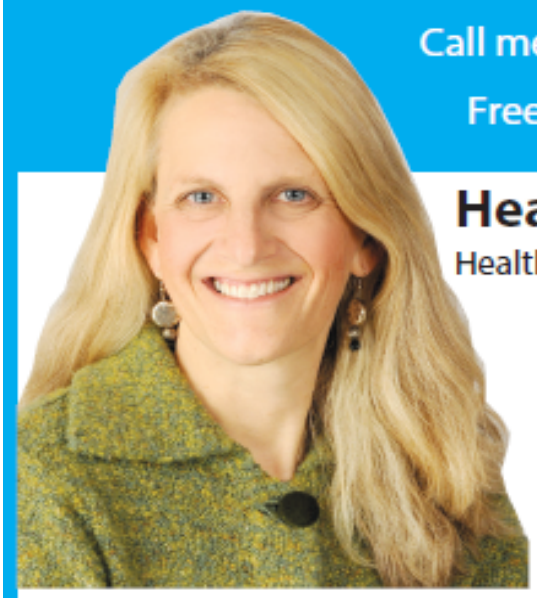

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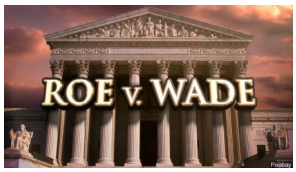
children – there was concern that a world-wide famine was imminent, rising taxes would increase the spread of communism. The solution: Abortion.

In 1959, the America Law Institute proposed a model penal code for state abortion laws. This code advocated legalizing abortions in limited circumstances, to include the mental & physical health of the mother, rape and incest, and fetal deformity. Colorado was the first state to pass an abortion law permitting abortion under these limited circumstances. California, Oregon, and North Carolina followed suit. As more states embraced pro-abortion laws, the National Right to Life was founded in 1968, in an effort to organize, communicate, and coordinate what was going on in various states across the country.



By the early 1970's, four states had laws making abortion on demand legal; one state permitted abortion for rape or incest; a total of 31 states had very limited laws permitting abortion only to save a mother's life.

Then the federal government stepped in. Contrary to what people think, Roe V. Wade is not a law passed by Congress January 22, 1973.. It was a vote by 7 (a full court has 9) Supreme Court Justices. The US Supreme Court were determined that all state laws protecting the unborn null and void. Roe v. Wade ruled that "legal personhood does not exist prenatally". This decision made abortion legal in all 50 states for the full term of pregnancy. To this day, this is, the most controversial Supreme Court Decision.

Decades after the unique decision, no other decision continues to cause such large and sustainable outcry. Deemed the "engine of controversy" it has become the symbol of judicial over reach causing much upheaval. Every year, since the decision of Roe v. Wade, Maine Right to Life holds a rally and solemn memorial - Hands Around the Capital event, to remember the innocent lives lost caused by this decision.

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Roe v. Wade is actually two cases – Roe v. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia. The court read both together. Though Doe is rarely spoken about, in its near 40 year history, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides what is called the "health exception" for an abortion after a fetus becomes viable. The "health exception" addresses the physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and age of the mother, thus providing legal justification to have an abortion throughout the entire gestational pregnancy.

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CONCEPTION (FERTILIZATION)
- Sperm fertilizes egg
- The new life, starting as just one cell, eventually implants in lining of uterus

2 WEEKS
- Heart beats at 21 days
- Foundation laid for brain and spinal cord

4 WEEKS
- Brain and spinal cord begin to form
- Length is less than 1 inch

6 WEEKS
- Lungs are beginning to form
- Eyes and nostrils are visible
- Taste buds and teeth are beginning to develop

8 WEEKS
- Fingers have grown and separated, toes are now visible
- Facial features—eyes, nose, lips, and tongue—continue to develop
- Each minute the brain develops as many as 250,000 new neurons
- Unborn child is now called a fetus, rather than an embryo

10 WEEKS
- Fingernails are beginning to form
- Kidneys are developing and can produce urine

12 WEEKS
- All major body parts and organs are present
- Heartbeat can be heard with electronic devices
- Bones are beginning to harden

14 WEEKS
- Mouth makes sucking motions
- Spleen begins producing red blood cells
- Hair pattern on head develops

16 WEEKS
- Movement may be felt by the mother
- The unborn child can suck her thumb
- Taste buds are present and functioning

18 WEEKS
- Arms and legs begin to punch and kick
- Fingernails are well formed
- Uterus begins to form if it's a girl
- Length is about 10 inches head to heel

20 WEEKS
- Experts say she can feel pain
- Swallowing begins
- Can turn body side to side and front to back

22 WEEKS
- Rapid brain growth continues
- Weight is about one pound

24 WEEKS
- Outside sounds can be heard
- Actions such as hiccuping, squinting, smiling, and frowning may be seen through ultrasound

26 WEEKS
- Sleep patterns exist and rapid eye movement indicates dreaming may occur
- Eyelids reopen after being closed for months
- Muscles exercise by kicking and stretching

28 WEEKS
- Central nervous system is developed enough to control some major body functions
- Another person might hear a heartbeat by listening to the pregnant woman's abdomen

30 WEEKS
- Rhythmic breathing movements start to occur
- Mom's voice and other familiar sounds may be recognized
- Bones are fully developed, but still soft and pliable

32 WEEKS
- Pupils can dilate and constrict in dim or bright light
- Connections between the nerve cells in the brain have increased

34 WEEKS
- Weight is about 4 to 4½ pounds

36 WEEKS
- Body fat increasing rapidly
- Head may soon start repositioning down in preparation for birth

38 WEEKS
- A newborn is considered full-term 38 weeks after fertilization (40 weeks of pregnancy)
- The unborn child can grasp firmly

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The first voting right victory came in 1869 when the Wyoming territory granted women the right to vote. Both women's organization celebrated the victory. Then, in 1878, the NWSA successfully lobbied the US Congress for a constitutional amendment. Though Congress formed committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate to study and debate the issue, when the proposal reached the senate floor in 1886, it was defeated. By 1890, the two organizations merged, forming the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA). Their strategy was to lobby for voting rights state-by-state.

By the turn of the 20th century, four states passed voting rights to women, and women's suffrage was gaining momentum. Despite the deaths of Stanton (1902) and Anthony (1806), young energy entered the movement. Stanton's daughter, Harriot Stanton Blatch (1856-1940) raised awareness with parades, pickets, and marches. Alice Paul (1885-1977) brought discipline, strategy with a militaristic style.

Unfettered, she organized marches, White House protests, and rallies. She founded the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage (which later became the National Woman's Party); arrested several times and imprisoned at least three times, she was the key leader securing the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920. The 19th amendment reads: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States." This put an end to a nearly century long fight to prohibit sex discrimination in the right to vote.

Once securing the right to vote, Paul and members of the National Woman's Party decided to seek constitutional guarantees of equality by way of the Equal Rights Amendment, written by Paul and Crystal Eastman (1881-1928), and delivered to Congress in 1923. It read: "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. In 1943, the wording was changed to the version that exists today. It reads: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Like the disagreement on suffrage; a bitter split emerged with ERA when some of Paul's allies in suffrage, found ERA troubling. The challenge was to ensure that equal rights match women's needs. At conflict, was the goal to allow women to have the same opportunities as men, while, at the same time, enabling women to be freely distinct and different from men without adverse consequences. This challenge remains today, and is why, though ERA passed Congress in 1972, the ERA has never been ratified.

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Not only did Sanger have a disregard for the poor, whom she referred to as "human weeds", she also had a disdain for blacks, of which her motives were clear: "Remember our motto: if we must have welfare, give it to the rich, not to the poor…we are paying for and even submitting to the dictates of an ever increasing, unceasingly spawning class of human beings who never should have been born at all."

Sanger joined forces with her wealthy racist friend, and heir to the Proctor Gamble fortune, Dr. Clarence Gamble to create the "Negro Project". Under the guise of helping the poor black community, a strategy was in place to recruit charismatic black ministers to encourage black women to use birth control. Sanger wrote to Dr. Gamble: "we do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population and the minister is the man who can straighten that idea out if it ever occurs to any of the more rebellious members."

Today Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortion in the US, responsible for aborting a disproportionately higher number of black babies. According to Candace Owens, author of *Blackout*, black women have the highest abortion rate among all racial groups; while they represent 13% of the US female population, they make up 40% of all abortions. Seventy-eight percent of Planned Parenthood clinics are located in low income minority communities.

Sanger also had a strong aversion to marriage: "The marriage bed is the most degenerating influence in the social order." She endorsed over throwing the family unit and making way for a "voluntary association" between sexual partners that focus more on sexual gratification rather than reproduction. In her book: *Women and the New Race* she wrote: "Many, perhaps, will think it idle to go further in demonstrating the immorality of large families, but since there is still an abundance of proof at hand, it may be offered for the sake of those who find difficulty in adjusting old-fashion ideas to the facts. The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."

The Margaret Sanger legacy, is a legacy of lies:

- Although married, Margaret Sanger resented marriage.
- Although a mother, she resented motherhood.
- Although confirmed in Catholic faith, she denounced Christianity and God.
- Although Quaker-appearing, she was a serial adulteress.
- Although she was 'opposed to abortion', she believed in infanticide.
- Although she was a socialist, she married a multi-millionaire industrialist oil tycoon and became an anarchist.
- Although she employed genocidal policies, she posed as a reputable community health service provider.
- Although a millionaire, she vowed to spend her late husband's $5million dollars on herself before she died, (leaving nothing to her sons and grandchildren)

Maine Right to Life believes the bust of Sanger should be removed and Planned Parenthood should be defunded. **If you agree, will you write your local Representatives and tell them?** There are several bills before the legislature this session asking for more taxpayer dollars to fund Planned Parenthood and to increased access to abortion.

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Bust of Margaret Sanger in Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery's "Struggle for Justice" exhibit.

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The Doe decision distinguishes the US as one of the most liberal democracies in the world. Only seven countries allow abortion after 20 weeks. The US is one of four nations (Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason after fetal viability.

Last September, at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe V. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned Parenthood V. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade descion). **According to the CDC, abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.** Of Americans who identify as being pro-choice - two thirds oppose late term abortion. Seventy-nine percent of Americans oppose late term abortions; and 82% of Americans oppose denying care to a viable child after birth.

A Gallup poll issued January 22nd, 2020, *Dissatisfied with US abortion laws at a new high*, reveals a 7% increase from a year ago. Today, 58% of Americans are not happy with our nation's abortion laws and believe they should be stricter. This is a new high for Gallup's trend.

The mainstream media controls a narrative which is not aligned with the thoughts of our nation. The powers that be portray Pro-Lifer's as predominately white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body – the true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats (who were told there was no place for them in the party), blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

Maine Right to Life believes that **people deserve to know the truth. Knowledge is power.** Please share these facts, and let everyone know, Pro-Life has a place for everyone that values human life from womb to tomb.

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"We Support Pro-Life"

ERA

Equal Rights Amendment and ratification

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the states US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" (ERA), to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur. In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, some activist groups now insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if just one additional state ratifies it.

The Equal Protection clause from the 14th amendment states: "nor shall any state deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." Maine Right to Life opposes the 1972 ERA because it could potentially be used as a powerful pro-abortion legal weapon, which pro-abortion activist groups openly proclaim that this is what they intend. For example: (March 2019), NARAL Pro-Choice America

ANSWERING THE CALL FOR HELP – what you can do…asserted the ERA "would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws." The NOW said the ERA "properly interpreted could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion…"

There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the constitution. The framers of the constitution and the declaration of independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

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What Wonderful Gifts are Hidden . . . In Their Mother's Wombs!

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Planned Parenthood…

It's not what you think.

FAST FACTS

⇒ Planned Parenthood Federation of America is the nation's largest abortion provider. It committed 345,672 abortions according to its 2018-2019 Annual Report, up 12,915 abortions since 2017.

⇒ Planned Parenthood reported 2.5 million patients in 2014 and 2.4 million patients in both 2015, 2016 & 2017, for a decrease of 100,000 patients, or 4% fewer patients between 2014 and 2017.

⇒ Approximately one out of every three abortions committed in our country is committed by Planned Parenthood.

⇒ While the Abortion Giant holds non-profit status, its revenue for 2018-2019 was about $1.638 billion. The highest in its history.

⇒ In the 2017-2018 Report, Planned Parenthood first reported telemedicine services as part of their expanding care category. For 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood affiliates in 17 states now have telemedicine services, including 16 states that perform telemed abortions.17 This is a substantial increase from just 13 states that were reported to perform telemed abortions in the 2017-2018 Report .

⇒ In 2018-2019, Planned Parenthood received $616.8 million in combined federal, state, and local government grants and contracts, an increase of over $50 million from last year's funding. Of all funding received by Planned Parenthood, 37 percent comes from taxpayers' pockets.

⇒ Day in and day out, Planned Parenthood aborts 1,768 innocent babies.

⇒ The 2017-2018 report shows $802.6 million in unrestricted net assets, funds which they can use should or when they lose government funds. In 2018-2019, assets increased to $2.2 billion.

⇒ Although the Abortion Giant touts its extensive health care efforts, cancer screenings and prevention programs have actually *dropped by a whopping 69% —-two-thirds.*—from 2009-2018: 1,830,811 (2009), 1,596,741 (2010), 1,307,570 (2011), 1,121,580 (2012), 935,573 (2013), 682,208 (2014), 665,234 (2015) and 660,777 (2016) and 614,361 (2017) and 566,186 (2018).

⇒ In 2017 Planned Parenthood committed 117 abortions for every adoption referral.

(view 2018-2019 Planned Parenthood Annual Report)

⇒ Actual prenatal services have also steadily decreased by *more than three-quarters (77%)* since 2009: 40,489 (2009) vs. 7,762 (2016).

⇒ Breast exams at Planned Parenthood have also *decreased.* 1,830,311 (2009) vs. 566,186 (2018). And no, Planned Parenthood does not perform mammograms, and never has. Note: In 2015, for the first time in Planned Parenthood's history, abortions outnumbered basic breast exams.

⇒ As of 2017, Planned Parenthood facilities will be down to less than 600 facilities in the U.S. with 56 regional affiliates. At its height in 1995, there were 938 Planned Parenthood facilities. Their facilities are now down by 34%—-an all time low. 32 of its facilities were closed in 2017 alone. It's time to shut them down for good.

⇒ There are 13,540 Federally-qualified, low-cost, high quality Health Care Clinics & rural health clinics. These Federally Qualified Centers are located in urban **and** rural locations, and they outnumber Planned Parenthood by more than 20 to 1 nationally. They offer more services than Planned Parenthood, but not abortion. Visit www.getyourcare.org for a full list of Health Centers.

Abortion is NOT health care.

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Regret taking the Abortion Pill?

(RU-486)

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Talk with a Hotline Nurse

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It may not be too late.

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revolutionary activist – unsuccessfully suing the Catholic Church, and at age 76, in 1992 he launched a campaign to legalize and distribute the abortion drug, RU486.

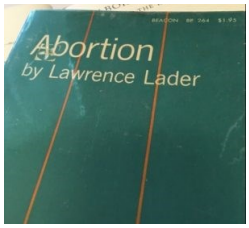
Lader, an atheist, with wealthy Jewish roots, grew up in New York City. He went to Harvard University, where he discovered Karl Marx. After graduating in 1941, he served in World War II, working for Armed Forces Radio. His war dispatches published in the New York Times, launched his career as a journalist, where his work appeared in numerous leading publications. He aspired to be a published author.

Karl Marx

During this time, he met Betty Friedan, author of the Feminine Mystique, through Jean MacInnis (whom he dated and later married). MacInnis had extreme ideas for the times: She kept her maiden name and they had separate bank accounts. The short-lived marriage ended in divorce in 1946.

Lader forged relationships with the elite and influential (most notably, Margaret Sanger), who aligned with his radical thoughts of Malthusianism and Eugenics. Malthusianism is a population theory that absolves wealthier segments of society from the responsibility of caring for the poor, by reducing the number of people born. Eugenics, Darwin's evolutional theory, 'survival of the fittest', seeks to limit the fertility of the poor and the unfit.

Lader's first book, The Biography of Margaret Sanger, was published in 1955. He spent three years interviewing her, referring to himself as "her disciple," and he also said she was "the greatest influence on his life." In 1966, Bobbs-Merill published Lader's second book. Simply titled: "Abortion", the first words stated: "Abortion is the dreaded secret of our society.". In an article in the Los Angeles Times in 1995, Lader reflected: He thought he was simply writing a book, "I had no idea of getting involved in a campaign."



At the press conference announcing the publication of his book, Lader told reporters he had received hundreds of inquiries from women seeking an abortion doctor. In that moment, he decided to not just write about abortion, but do something about it. When women asked for an abortion, he referred over 2,000 to a willing doctor.

In 1967 Lader met obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr. Bernard Nathanson at a dinner party. Nathanson, also a Jewish Atheist, was "swept up" by Lader's anti-authoritarianism, and wanted to be involved in "brewing up a revolution.". He

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Bishop Robert P. Deeley, and the faithful of the Diocese

applaud your good works in support of life.

We wish the Maine Right to Life Committee much success.

May all those who sustain this great work know that they are in our prayers,

on this occasion as well as when they then go forward in this mission.

www.PortlandDiocese.org

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performed "therapeutic abortions" and was disturbed with the deaths caused by illegal abortions. For Lader, having an obstetrician on his team would help legitimize abortion as a legal medical procedure.

With a budget of $3,500, the two men founded the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (NARAL) in 1969. (Today, known as NARAL – Pro-Choice America). On a mission, they had their villain, and a strategy: To convince the media and the public that the Catholic hierarchy was imposing its will on America. They would portray Catholics as opposed to the hierarchy; and they would support them in public office as "heroes who oppose abortion for themselves, but believe our church should not impose its will on our non-Catholic neighbors." They wanted to make this a church-state issue and expose the tax-deductible lobbying effort of Catholics.

Over the next few years, Lader and Nathanson were inseparable, tenaciously lobbying state legislatures to repeal prohibitions against abortion. Utilizing unscrupulous tactics they made up numbers of deaths/year of botched abortions. Their efforts were not gaining traction, until Lader come up with the idea to link legal abortion to the popular and growing feminist movement. "If we're going to move abortion out of the books and into the streets, we're going to have to recruit the feminists. Friedan has got to put her troops into this thing – while she still has control of them."

Lader and Nathanson convinced Friedan, the founder of National Organization of Women (NOW) to see legal abortion as a civil and basic human rights issue. Originally Friedan and executives of Planned Parenthood opposed abortion, believing it degraded women and gave too much power to men, but Lader was clever and strategic. Noting that American women like choice, he coined the language of the movement today – "Pro-Choice", "a woman's right to control her own body", and a "woman's right to choose.".

Friedan never mentioned abortion in her first edition of the Feminine Mystique, however Lader successfully persuaded her to use her platform to promote abortion as "liberating and empowering" to women. She joined them at NARAL. The jargon of the women's movement, caught on and was adopted by Planned Parenthood's then president, Alan Guttmacher. At the end of Betty Friedan's life, she expressed her regret for the narrative and the path the woman's movement had ultimately taken.

Nathanson had regrets too. As an obstetrician and gynecologist in New York City, Nathanson oversaw at least 75,000 abortions between 1970 and 1979, of which, 5,000 he performed himself. He earned the nickname: Abortion King. By 1973 the advancement of ultrasound technology, helped him see abortion for what it is and the pain the fetus experiences. Nathanson became Pro-life, and to Lader's chagrin, converted to Catholicism in 1996. Were it not for his complete change of heart, we would never know the truth about Lader's power, influence, and lies to ram rod abortion down Americans' throats.

In 2009, at age 83, Bernard Nathanson met with Terry Beatley of the Hosea Initiative. He told her the 8-point Propaganda Strategy that he and Lader developed for NARAL to convince America that abortion is "women's healthcare." Beatley promised Nathanson that she would share this with lawmakers and clergy, so the people knew the truth. Here is the strategy used to deceive America:

In her book, Subverted, author, Sue Ellen Browder concisely and brilliantly lays out her experience as a columnist for Cosmopolitan, the fictitious stories she told about the Women's sexual revolution and how Larry Lader hijacked the women's movement; it is a must read! Like Nathanson, Sue Ellen converted to Catholicism.

In her book, Sue Ellen explains: We would never have known it was Lader who at last persuaded Betty to insert abortion into NOW's package of "women's rights" if it weren't for the written testimony of a third party who eye-witnessed events as they unfolded beneath the scenes. This eye-witness was Bernard *"Bernie"* Nathanson, M.D., director of one of the world's largest abortion clinics. Nathanson worked with Lader in the late 1960's to found NARAL, the first organization set up to repeal US abortion laws." ~ Sue Ellen Browder, Subverted, p. 51

Dr. Nathanson died in 2011. A friend reflected on two lessons learned by Nathanson's life: **"First – truth will prevail, and overcome darkness, second: We in the pro-life movement have no enemies to destroy. Our weapons are chaste weapons of the spirit: *truth and love*. Our task is less to defeat our opponents than to win them to the cause of life. To be sure, we must oppose the culture and politics of death resolutely and with a determination to win. But there is no one – *no one*- whose heart is so hard that he or she *cannot* be won over.**

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A new wave of feminism was taking shape in the 1960's. Though woman had the right to vote, could hold public office, and have equal employment opportunities, the obvious differences between men and women were over-looked. The importance of protecting women and family, including 24 hour childcare for working families, were cast aside for a new order. The birth control pill was approved by the FDA, over-population and fear of famine, and the sexual revolution took the eye off family, with a new focus on the individual, and a belief that government would come up with all of the solutions.

A new emerging leader, Smith College graduate, Betty Friedan (1921-2006), conducted a survey among fellow college graduates for her 15 year reunion and concluded women were unhappy with their lives as housewives. In 1964, she published The Feminine Mystique, which became a best seller. Friedan uncovered "the problem with no name". Though women were married with children and living in comfort, women were unhappy. Magazines, educators, and advertisers narrowly promoted the domestic sphere which was a stark contrast to the 1930's when magazines featured confident, independent career women. According to her survey, women felt they had lost their identity.

Betty Friedan (front left), The National Organization for Women (NOW).

Friedan's book propelled the re-thinking of femininity and sparked the sexual revolution, spinning the women's movement in several different directions. The National Organization for Women (NOW) was organized, in 1966, and Friedan drafted the founding statement, emphasizing a women's need for identity and autonomy - women as human beings must be given a chance to develop to their full potential. At the 1967 NOW conference at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC. A clash of the liberation movement with the radical feminist movement came to a head when Betty Friedan shocked members by pressing a vote for a full repeal of all abortion laws. By the end of the meeting, one-third of NOW's members quit.

In 1969,the narrative, focus, and language shifted within the Women's Rights Movement– not by women, but by two men, who co-founded, NARAL (National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Law), with the support and advocacy of Betty Friedan. Lawrence Lader, a journalist and Dr. Bernard Nathanson (1926-2006), were clever.

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"You Shall Love Your Neighbor As Yourself"

Weekend Mass Schedule

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
307 Congress St, Portland
4:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Peter
72 Federal St, Portland
5:15 p.m. Saturday
9:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Christopher
15 Central Ave, Peaks Island
10:00 a.m. Sunday

Sacred Heart/St. Dominic
65 Mellen St, Portland
10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. Sunday

St. Louis
279 Danforth St, Portland
11:30 a.m. Sunday

Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes

www.portlandcatholic.org

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The narrative had changed, and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion changed and now, Friedan advocated that legalized abortion and contraception was advancing women's reproductive healthcare. The women's movement was hijacked. Lader is credited as being the founding father of the abortion movement and heavily influenced the Roe V. Wade decision in 1973.

Dr. Bernard Nathanson

Today, Abortion defines the women's movement. This is not what the pioneers of the women's movement had in mind. Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote:

> **"When we consider that women are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit."**

Victoria Woodhull, the first women candidate for president wrote:

> **"Every woman knows that if she were free, she would never bear an unwished for child, nor think of murdering one before its birth."**

The first women to receive a medical degree in the US, Elizabeth Blackwell wrote: "The gross perversion and destruction of motherhood by the abortionist filled me with indignation, and awakened active antagonism."

Susan B Anthony's, *The Revolution, published a piece that said abortion was a choice that would burden both a woman's "Conscience in life and soul in death"; which ultimately is an exploitation of women.*

At Maine Right to Life, we follow our early leaders with a shared belief that the rights of mother and child are inherently linked. By getting to know our early leaders, we admire their courage, are inspired by their persistence, and we feel called to carry the torch to protect the authentic lives of women and children.

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WE RESPECT THE RIGHT TO LIFE

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St. Leo the Great Church
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Give Glory to God in the Highest.

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Thursday 2:30pm

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Saturday 4:00pm

Protecting Life from Womb to Tomb.

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She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. In fact, the ERA will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

We are seeing the problems unfold right now when biological men transgender to women, and rob biological women of sports recognition, titles, and scholarships. We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Efforts to ratify the ERA were taken up again in 2019. "Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled, though, the ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing, and the new ERA ratification initiative should be dubbed: Everything Related to Abortion.

Feminist for Life, President Serrin Foster believes that women deserve so much better and something is seriously wrong when abortion (under the auspices of women's reproductive healthcare) is prescribed to women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant, overwhelmed, lacking in support and resources. "Not only must we do better; women deserve better"

We must ensure that ERA is not ratified in Maine, that biological women can compete fairly in women's sports, and that women facing unplanned pregnancy have the support and resources to completely know all their choices.

Maine Right to Life believes we should follow the lead of the late Phyllis Schlafly and engage Maine citizens to not only find their way to the State Capitol, but engage with their local lawmakers, and to ultimately change laws! We are looking to develop Pro-Life chapters around the state. Please consider being a part of this effort.

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A meme Wonder Woman actress Gal Gadot shared on Instagram January 27, 2017.

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Let us not lose faith in the power of our weapons to transform even the most resolute abortion advocates."
~ Robert P George, Feb. 27, 2011

Maine Right To Life encourages our members to trust that the truth will prevail. Let the stories of conversion of some of the most ardent pro-abortion turned pro-life advocates be a beacon of hope, and a call to action to each of us, that simple actions done in loving and caring ways plant seeds that move and change lives.

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MAINE Abortion Update and Statistics

Abortions in Maine are on the rise.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, **the number of abortions increased to 2,021.**

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions**. MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.**

The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. **In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.**

Iowa, Minnesota, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii, and Maine commit telemed abortions.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan , and Waterville.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the 2nd trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from 3 in 2009 to 104 in 2018, but fell slightly in 2019 to 92.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is <u>still</u> NOT rare in Maine... with an average of

5.5 abortions committed EVERY DAY...

38.8 abortions EACH WEEK.

For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com

*Statistics provided my Maine CDC

Helpful Links

EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

www.mainerighttolife.com
www.nrlc.org (National Right to Life)
www.LifeNews.com
www.liveaction.com
www.centerformedicalprogress.org
www.HeartBeatInternational.org
www.all.org (American Life League)
www.feministsforlife.org
www.humanlife.org
www.aaplog.org (Pro-Life OBGYNS)
www.lifeissues.org
www.prolifeaction.org

POST ABORTION HELP

www.afterabortion.com (Elliot Institute)
www.rachelsvineyard.org
www.AbortionPillReversal.com

ABORTION BREAST CANCER LINK

www.abortionbreastcancer.com

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Visit www.MaineRightToLife.com for a complete listing of support centers

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www.godparenthomeme.com
www.mercymultiplied.com
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www.caringadoptions.org
www.bethany.org
www.chask.org
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www.PatientsRightsAction.org
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www.lifeandhope.com (Terri Schiavo)
www.nrlc.org/euthanasia/willtolive
www.MaineHospiceCouncil.org

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www.teenbreaks.com
www.liveaction.org
www.studentsforlife.org
www.standupgirl.com
www.abstinence.net
www.medinstitute.org

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www.stemcellresearch.org
www.morningafterpill.org

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www.hearts4life.org
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www.christianliferesources.com
www.40daysforlife.com
www.silentscream.org
www.operationoutcry.org
www.roevwade.org
www.abortionresearch.com
www.sba-list.org

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www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.com
www.fightpp.org
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FEELING CALLED TO HELP – BUT NOT SURE WHAT YOU CAN DO?

We hear this all the time: "I'm Pro-Life – but don't know what I can do to advance the cause". If this is you - this section is for you!

Here at Maine Right to Life, we tell people, we are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women. When you bring those red letters together, they spell: LAW! The truth is – we need to change laws at the state and federal level to save lives from womb to tomb.

Amid a very hostile political landscape, Maine Right to Life embraces the old adage: You catch more bees with honey, than you do with vinegar. The truth is on our side. Life is winning. The mainstream media narrative wants people to believe that abortion is women's reproductive healthcare, and the key to women's happiness is their right to control their body and what goes on in it. What the mainstream media sells short is the awesome power that only biological women have: The gift of their womb to bring precious and innocent new life into the world.

People inherently know the joy that a newborn brings. There is nothing happy and liberating about destroying new life in a woman's womb. And people naturally know this! The truth is: The majority of people are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice" – they may tell you, personally, they would never have an abortion, however they support a woman's right. Their support comes from the rhetoric that surrounds the issue; and for a variety of reasons, they aren't comfortable discussing the topic. You can be their breath of fresh air!

And, there is no time better than right now! Covid-19 has caused many people to suffer in silence. Some may suffer abortion remorse. Others facing an unplanned pregnancy may be feeling confused and in search of more hopeful options. Feelings of loss, isolation, depression, despair and hopeless-ness have led to record numbers of drug overdose deaths, suicide, and crime. Covid-19 has given rise to all of these conditions. People need to know that help is available. We can be a beacon of light and hope!

Please renew your membership, complete a volunteer form, and spread this good news resource to your friends. It's time to stand tall for life – together!

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Let us protect the precious gift of Life

Children long for somebody to accept them, to love them, to praise them.

Let us bring the child back to the center of our care and concern.

This is the ONLY way the world can survive because our children are the only hope of the future. *Mother Teresa*

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Here are **10 ways that you can help** spread the Pro-Life message to change minds, hearts and also laws:

1. **Educate yourself and others.** Click on the many links in this resource directory, and share this directory. Listen to some podcasts: National Review – For Life, Alexander Desanctis discusses social policy, the Pro-Life movement, religion and culture, Ben Shapiro, of the Daily Wire destroys the abortion argument, pick up Randy Alcorn's book, *ProLife Answers to Pro Choice Argument*
2. **Forge relationships with your local State Representative and State Senator.** No matter where they are on this issue, seek out a meaningful relationship with them. Thank them for serving – via email, personal notes, phone, or over coffee. If they are elected, they are serving you. Share your personal story about why you are Pro-Life, ask them to support Pro-Life legislation, ask them to vote against Pro-Abortion legislation. Commit today to get to know them. We've made this easy for you! See p.42-53. Also, consider helping a Pro-Life candidate get elected or re-elected. Get familiar with the bills before the legislature – both for and against Pro-Life issues. See bills p.41. Become familiar with how an idea YOU have, can become a bill, and then becomes a law p.38-39.
3. **Use your voice!** Write a letter to your editor in your local newspaper, or write an op-ed piece in a publication. Consider testifying before a legislative committee on a piece of legislation. See tips on p.34-36.
4. **Start a Pro-Life Book Club!** Why not read and discuss a good Pro-Life book together. Some good recommendations: *Subverted*, by Sue Ellen Browder, *Unplanned*, by Abby Johnson, *Life is Winning*, by Marjorie Dannenfelser, *Blackout*, by Candace Owens, *You Carried Me – A daughters memoir*, by Melissa Ohden – to name just a few! Do you have a book to recommend? We'd love to hear from you!
5. **Start a Pro-Life Chapter in your area**. Maine Right to Life is looking to form local chapters around the state. We provide training and resources – taking tips provided here, together we can grow together and hone our Pro-Life promotion skills. Please contact us to learn more!
6. **Harness the power of social media:** Though challenging today with recent censorship, we encourage you to share information on social media.
7. **Sidewalk counseling** with organizations, such as 40 days for Life, offer prayers and counseling outside abortion facilities. Participants stand at these facilities to let women know "we're here to help" – offering love, prayers, resources in Maine, hope, and options.
8. **Support Adoption.** Have you ever considered adopting a child? Imagine a women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy hearing the words: "I'll adopt your baby!" Though adoption may not be a realistic option for you, become familiar with Adoption Partners here in Maine p.57.
9. **Organize a walk in your community or set up a booth at a fair!** Contact us!
10. **Participate in our Annual Programs!** We love seeing people at Hands Around the Capitol, Respect Life Day at the Capitol, Community Walks, and Convention. While Covid-19 has put a damper on activities, we are hard at work, behind the scenes putting together resources that spread the Pro-Life message.

Letters to the Editor

How to write a letter to the editor in your local newspaper:

This guide provides links to many local newspapers' email addresses. Here are some tips: Most newspapers limit your word count to 250 words. Check with your specific newspaper. Letters to the editor are widely read, and are a great way to get the Pro-Life message out. A well written, thoughtful, compassionate piece can soften the narrative that depicts Pro-Life advocates as angry, judgmental religious zealots who have no compassion for women. Here are some helpful tips to keep your message positive and well received:

Go for the low hanging fruit! You won't convince the staunch abortion supporter. The majority of people don't identify as strongly Pro-Life or Pro-Abortion, rather – they are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice": They know in their heart that abortion is wrong, but for a variety of reasons, aren't comfortable saying so. Focus on one main idea, and provide supporting information. Consider your letter to be the vehicle that enlightens them that others feel as they do, and it is okay to say so!

Focus on the goal! Yes – we share a long-term goal of living in a culture where life is respected and protected from conception to natural death. When writing to the general public, present the issue as a human rights issue rather than a religious issue. There are people of every religious and political persuasion, as well as atheists. We can broaden our audience and convince more people when we simply focus on justice and reason.

Link to newspaper email list for submitting letters to the editor.

Tips for Effective Writing

- Be Charitable and Respectful.
- Stick to one main topic, supported by a few relevant points.
- Keep your audience in mind.
- Keep your goal in mind by
  - —correcting misinformation
  - —presenting information not widely know outside the pro-life movement
  - —being a credit to the movement by a clear respectful presentation of facts
- Present pro-life issues as human rights issues, not religious issues.
  - —Remember, you re trying to persuade people who do not share your religious beliefs.
  - —Recognize that in every human heart is an inate sense of justice, right and wrong, and the power to reason.
  - —By appealing to this reason and justice, you can win over people who will not be touched by religious arguments.

SAMPLE PRO-LIFE LETTERS!

Stem Cell Research...

I am writing to urge people to support life-saving stem cell research using adult stem cells and umbilical cord blood - not life-destroying *embryonic* stem cell research.

There is no controversy about the use of adult stem cells or cells obtained from umbilical cord blood; they are harvested with no harm to the donor, unlike embryonic stem cells, which are harvested by killing the embryos they are taken from.

Adult stem cells have been used successfully to treat at least 65 medical conditions including multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and 23 different types of cancer. Even though private funds have been poured into embryonic stem cell research for years, and some people want to take our tax dollars and pour more money into this research, there has not been one successful cure attributed to use of embryonic stem cells. In fact, evidence is that there are such serious problems associated with their use, such as uncontrollable tumor formation in the recipient, that cures from them are not likely to be seen for years, if ever.

Why would we want to support research that has an unlikely potential for success and that many feel is unethical when we have an alternative that is already working?

Maine Right to Life Committee

Assisted Suicide . . .

I am sure that the proponents of physician-assisted suicide are motivated by compassion for the suffering of the severely disabled, or those near the end of a fatal illness. This proposal, however, is not in the interests of the sufferers themselves, and would ultimately be bad for society as a whole.

Studies show that those who request suicide are motivated not by the severity of their suffering, but by depression, which is highly treatable. Most such patients prefer to live once the depression has been treated. This law would pressure many who are severely disabled or close to death to choose suicide against their true wishes, in order to spare relatives the expense of continuing their medical treatment. Insurance companies would be tempted to steer people to doctor-administered suicide rather than treatments costing many thousands of dollars.

This law would have further consequences as well. By making doctors both protectors and takers of life, it would subvert patients' trust in their doctors. Finally, it would send a message that life is not a fundamental human right, but something that we should surrender (or that can be taken from us) when our lives become inconvenient. Consider the Netherlands, which in a few short decades has "progressed" from voluntary suicide to a point where doctors, on their own initiative, euthanize terminal patients or severely disabled babies.

Rather than passing this mis-guided and dangerous law, let us all work together to find ways to alleviate the suffering of those facing death in ways that respect human life.

Maine Right to Life Committee

Abortion . . .

Abortion advocates claim that the abortion issue is not about what is right or wrong, but about "who decides --the woman or the state?"

These people don't seem to realize why the government exists. Since the U.S. government is based on the Constitution, we can assume that the Preamble says some important things about the purpose of government.

One purpose is to "establish justice."

What justice is there in a system that allows innocent people to be harmed at the whim of others? Just because women are bigger and stronger, should they be allowed to kill their own children? Because men wield more financial and political power, should women be abandoned to the despair of abortion?

What justice is there in a system that allows men to combine career and parenthood, yet demands that women choose between prosperity and their children's very lives?

Abortion is the most unjust institution this country has ever established. It pits mothers against their children, women against men, parents against their daughters. It usurps the rights of parents and fathers.

How long are we going to endure the injustice of more than 3,000 innocent people being killed daily? Do we deserve freedom if we abuse it in this way?

These are the questions we need to discuss. Does the government have a right to ban abortion? The better question is, what legitimate government would permit such an atrocity?

PriestsForLife.org

Help us to protect the Little Ones.

How to keep peaceful protest – peaceful:

Those who oppose Pro-Life supporters are on a mission to make us look bad, always. There may be thousands of people peacefully protesting abortion, and the media seeks out the one “bad” person. The media loves to portray Pro-Lifers as angry, judgmental, religious zealots who not only have no compassion for women, only care about stopping abortion to save a baby’s life, and do nothing for women or other’s lives beyond that.

Beware of the messenger who is determined to demonize you. Do not engage with them. Encourage others with you, not to engage with them. All it takes is a few people to become involved with counter demonstrators in a loud confrontation and surprise, surprise the TV cameras are right there. Give them no reason to capture you on film.

If there’s a public order to wear a Covid mask – please wear one. Peaceful non-mask wearing Pro-Lifers have been called hypocrites: *They want to save a fetus’ life, but they don’t care about people dying of Covid-19*.

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Legacy of Life

If you or a family member wish to include Maine Right to Life Committee in your Will, please contact us.

Maine Right to Life Committee
Legacy of Life
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Help us continue our life-saving work on behalf of the most vulnerable.

Baby, approximately 10 weeks after conception.

Path of Legislation in Maine

IDEA DEVELOPED

- A legislator decides to sponsor a bill, sometimes at the suggestion of a constituent, interest group, public official or the Governor.
- The legislator may ask other legislators in either House/Senate to join as co-sponsors.

BILL DRAFTED

- At the legislator's direction, the bill is prepared in proper technical form.

BILL INTRODUCED

- The legislator gives the bill to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate.
- The bill is numbered, recommended to a committee, printed, and placed on House/Senate calendar.

COMMITTEE ACTION

- Committee schedules and conducts a public hearing where it accepts testimony supporting and opposing the proposed legislation.

GENERAL ORDER

- The bill is reported to the floor of its origin (House/Senate) where it receives it's first reading.
- Any amendments to the bill are adopted at this time.
- The committee reports the bill to the originating body with one of five recommendations: 1.Ought to Pass (as is) 2. Ought to Pass as amended 3. Ought to Pass in New Draft 4. Ought Not to Pass. 5. Refer to Another Committee.

SECOND READING

- The next legislative day the bill is given its second reading and floor amendments may be offered.
- When one chamber has passed the bill to be engrossed, it is sent to the other body for its consideration.
- The House has a consent calendar for unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as amended bills which takes the place of First and Second readings.

SECOND CHAMBER

- The bill goes through a similar process in the second chanber. If the second chamber amends the bill, it is returned to the first chamber for a vote on the changes.
- It may then be sent to a conference committee to work out a compromise agreeable to both chambers.
- A bill receives final legislative approval when it passes both chambers in identical form.

GOVERNOR

- After final passage (enactment) the bill is sent to the Governor.
- The Governor has ten days in which to sign or veto the bill.
- If the Governor does not sign the bill and the Legislature is still in session, the bill after ten days becomes law as if the Governor signed it.
- If the Legislature has adjourned for the year the bill does not become law. This is called a "pocket veto." If the Legislature comes back into special session, the Governor on the 4th day must deliver a veto message to the chamber of origin or the bill becomes law.

LAW

- A bill becomes law 90 days after the end of the legislative session in which it was passed.
- A bill can become law immediately if the Legislature, by a 2/3 vote of each chamber, declares that an emergency exists. An emergency law takes effect on the date the Governor signs it unless otherwise spec ified in its text.
- If a bill is vetoed, it will become law if the Legislature overrides the veto by a 2/3 vote of those members present and voting of both chambers.

Legislation

How to get familiar with bills in the legislature:

This session, there are at least 11 Pro-Life bills – and more still coming. There are three Pro-Abortion bills that we are following as well.

When contacting your legislator, please do the following:

- In the subject line state: Support (or oppose) the LD # *NOTE: Currently, a number of bills have not yet been assigned LD #'s this session. This link will provide you an update, and let you know when the hearing is.*
- In the body, be courteous, and thank them for their service – state your reasons for or against.
- Be sure to include your name and your town at the end of your email and/or letter. This is very important! Legislators receive a lot of mail and they pay very close attention to people who are their constituents.

Congressman Henry Hyde

(Founder of the Hyde Amendment)

"When the time comes, as it surely will,

when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment,

I've often thought, as Fulton Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness.

You have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God --

and a terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine.

But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone.

I think there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world

but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world --

and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement.

They will say to God, 'Spare him, because he loved us!'"

Bills we are following this session – and what you can do about them!

Here are the bills we support:

Senator Trey Stewart

LD 825: *An Act to Ensure Equity in Women's Health Care Access in Maine by Requiring Facilities Providing Abortions To Inform Patients of Options and Alternatives.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Abigail Griffin

LD 851: *An Act To Ensure Women Are Informed of Abortion Pill Reversal.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

*LD : *An Act to Require Certain Medical Providers To Administer Ultrasounds and Provide Information to Pregnant Patients.*

Representative MaryAnne Kinney

*LD : *An Act To Protect Infants Who Are Born Alive Immediately Following Birth.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

LD 1401: *An Act To Prohibit Biological Males from Participating in School Athletic Programs and Activities Designated for Females at Schools That Receive Federal Funding .*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Senator Scott Cyrway

LD 1225 : *An Act To Provide Dignity for Fetal Remains by Requiring Their Interment or Cremation.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Representative Kathy Javner

LD 748: *An Act To Remove Coverage Under The MaineCare Program For Abortions Not Covered By Medicaid.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Billy Bob Faulkingham

LD 915: *An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Beth O'Connor

LD 926: An Act To Ban Biological Males from Participating in Women's Sports.

Committee: EDU email: EDU@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Samuel Baker – Phone: 207-287-3125

Senator Lisa Keim

LD 1238: *An Act To Protect Women's Single-sex Shelters.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Patrick Corey

LD 560: *An Act To Amend the Safe Haven Laws.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

Representative Margaret Craven

LD 1064: *An Act to Advance Palliative Care Utilization in The State.*

Committee: HHS , email: HHS@legislature.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Here are the bills we oppose:

Senator Cathy Breen

LD 811: *An Act To Protect the Reproductive Rights and Freedoms of Maine People.*

Committee: HHS email: HHS@legislature.gov
Clerk: Kerri Withee – Phone: 207-287-1317

Representative Lois Reckitt

LD 344: *Resolution, Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on The Sex Of An Individual.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327,

Speaker Ryan Fecteau

LD 1538**:** *An Act To Protect the Rights of People Who Are LGBTQ in Maine.*

Committee: JUD email: JUD@legislature.maine.gov
Clerk: Susan Pinette – Phone: 207-287-1327

How to testify on state legislation:

Each bill will be assigned an LD#. It will be assigned to a committee, which will schedule a public hearing for members of the public to weigh in – for, against, or neither for nor against.

- Be sure to note the bill, its designated committee, and address your testimony to the committee.
- Here is a live link to instructions, that will lead you through to actually uploading your testimony and sending directly to the committee.
- Please note that due to Covid-19, committees are conducting hearings via Zoom, and are asking for written testimony 24 hours before the hearing.

Mainepolicy.org provides a step-by-step through the live link.

The Christian Civic League of Maine provides a great tutorial on how to actually write and present your testimony.

***Note: Some LD#s were not available when this book was published.**

Party: Republican
Term: 6th
Elected: 1997

Senator Susan M. Collins (R- ME)

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Name of Legislation		Voted/Score	
Rejected	Lankford Amdt. - Hyde Amendment Protections on Provisions of COVID-19 Reconciliation 03/06/2021	Y	√
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/06/2021	N	√
Rejected	Sasse Amendment - Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/04/2021	Y	√
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act 02/25/2020	N	X
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2020	Y	√
Rejected	Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/25/2019	Y	√
Rejected	The No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act 01/17/2019	N	X
Confirmed	Confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh as Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court 10/06/2018	Y	√
Rejected	Denial of federal funds to abortion providers (Paul Amendment) 08/23/2018	N	X
Rejected	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (20-week ban) 01/29/2018	N	X

FOR A MORE DETAILED LIST PLEASE GO TO:
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Party: Independent
Term: 2nd
Elected: 2013

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Party: Democrat
Term: 7th
Elected: 2008

Representative Chellie Pingree
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Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 03/17/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Final Passage COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 03/10/2021	Y	X
Passed	H.R. 1, the So-Called "For the People Act of 2021" (restrictions on free speech) 03/03/2021	Y	X
Passed	COVID-19 Reconciliation Package - Abortion Funding 02/27/2021	Y	X
Passed	The So-Called "Equality Act" 02/25/2021	Y	X
Agreed	Heroes Act - Abortion expanding provisions 10/01/2020	Y	X
Passed	Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Conscience/Title X/DC Hyde Amendment 07/31/2020	Y	X
Passed	Tax Subsidies for Abortion-Promoting Groups Overseas 07/24/2020	Y	X
Passed	Obamacare Expansion and Drug Price Controls 06/29/2020	Y	X
Failed	MTR Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act 02/28/2020	N	X
Passed	"Equal Rights Amendment" to U.S. Constitution 02/13/2020	Y	X
Failed	EPA Water Regulations and Unborn Children 01/10/2020	N	X

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www.NationalRightToLife.com

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Term: 2nd
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Maine Senate

130th Legislature

The Maine Senate is made up of 35 seats. Currently the democrats hold the majority at 22 seats and the republicans holding 13 seats.

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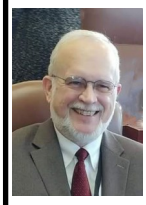

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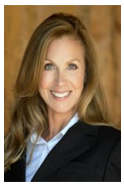

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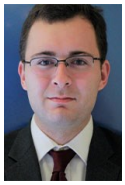

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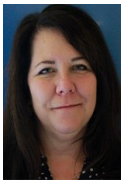

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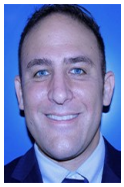

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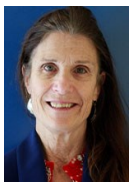

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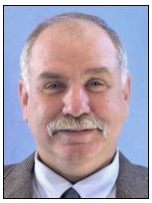

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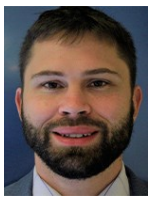

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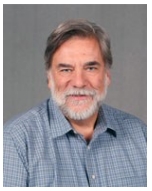

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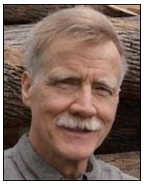

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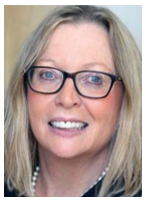

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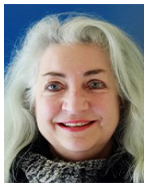

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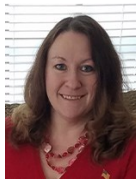

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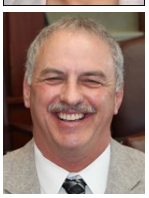

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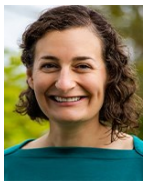

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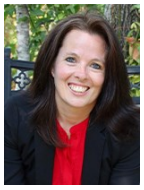

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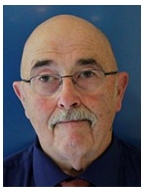

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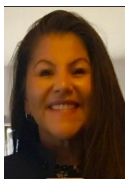

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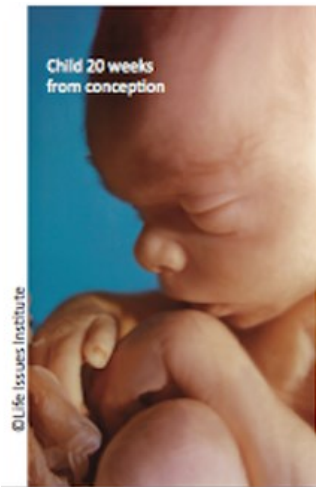
Do NOT support candidates who ignore the rights of pre-natal babies!



We Believe…

WOMEN facing an unwanted pregnancy deserve all the facts, and have the right to be fully informed before making this life or death decision for themselves and their unborn child.

WOMEN deserve compassionate and thorough counseling without being subjected to undue influence by groups who profit by directing the outcome towards abortion.

WOMEN should feel comfortable and respected for choosing life and never made to feel guilty or undeserving regarding their decision.

WOMEN deserve our support when their choice is life!
Women have earned and deserve accommodation at work, on campuses and in the community when choosing life.

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Hospice of Southern Maine
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- More members = louder voices!
- Your membership gives another voice to innocent and vulnerable lives lost to abortion and euthanasia.
- Meet inspiring advocates who are pro-life, pro-active, and pro-woman.
- Become informed about Right to Life policy issues at the national and state level.
- Receive support and education to help you engage and promote life in a loving, caring, compassionate, and non-judgmental way.
- Together we can and will turn the tide from a culture of death to a culture of life!
- Please Join Today. And tell your friends to join too!

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General:

___**40 Days for Life Program:** Maine Right to Life supports this program of peaceful prayer in front of an abortion clinic/ Planned Parenthood. Augusta (spring)____ Portland (fall)____ Bangor (fall)____

___**Mother's Day Project:** Maine Right to Life distributes flowers through church parishes and other groups to honor motherhood. Occurs in May. Are you affiliated with a church/parish or group?
Parish/group Name:_____Location:_____

___**Celebrate Life Walk:** Make celebrating the gift of life visible in your community. Walks happen statewide in July. I'm interested in ____being a walker _____organizing a walk in my area

___**Write a letter** to the editor/op-ed about life issues for your local paper.

___**Photographer** at Maine Right to Life events.

___**Distribute** current MRLC Resource Directories to Churches/Organizations

___**Chapter Groups:** Small local groups of volunteers that come together to promote the culture of life In Maine, by going to events contacting legislators and much more.
I am interested in : __Joining the Chapter closest to me __Creating a Chapter in my area.

Legislative:

___**Write** your local state Rep./Sen. and urge them to vote our way on bills in the legislature.
___Once ___On going

___**Come** to Augusta and hold signs in the statehouse on key legislation voting days/hearings.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When I was a child, we played Opposite Day – everything said meant the opposite. The Pro-Abortion lobby plays this game and has been for a very long time. Their play on words hijacked the woman's movement, killed more than 63 million unborn babies, and changed the social order of society. They've influenced and disguised public policy, manipulated minds, and divided the country. It's time to recognize the lies, heal the wounds, and rise above the pain. There is hope. Join us!

Our beautiful state slogan is "***Maine – the way life should be.***" Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one of four states where deaths/year is greater than births. On average, there are 5.6 babies hoping to be born every day in Maine; instead, they are thrown away. Is this really the way life should be? We can change this!

Planned Parenthood's name implies a focus on family; they claim they provide "Women's Reproductive Healthcare." Both are deceptive lies. "Reproductive" is producing an offspring, certainly NOT killing babies. They are not only anti-family; they are the number one provider of abortions in the US, and they receive millions in taxpayer funding. Planned Parenthood also allegedly touts Black Lives Matter, yet their founder, Margaret Sanger, is a noted racist.

The Pro-Abortion lobby wants to write ERA into Maine's constitution. They've already tried several times, but they aren't giving up. Warning: This is NOT the ERA movement of the 1970's. Today's ERA could best be dubbed: **E**verything **R**elated to **A**bortion. It doesn't protect women; it hurts them. There are efforts to bring this to a state referendum. This is dangerous. Maine's future depends on us, you and me, defeating this measure!

And now some good news: Our Country is on the cusp of overthrowing Roe v. Wade. While we really hope it happens, some people are wondering what this would means for Maine? If Roe is overthrown, it simply means abortion policy and laws will revert to our state's existing laws; each state will be able to decide what works best for them. It is widely understood that Roe v. Wade was a bad decision from day one. The bad news is, currently, Maine has laws in place for Roe v. Wade to carry on in Maine if the court decision is overturned. **The people we elect to represent us in the Maine State Legislature matters**. Get to know your state lawmakers. Please consider running for office, encourage others to run, and support our Pro-Life candidates!

When we shift our focus to a culture of life, we begin to imagine Maine beyond Roe. When we shift taxpayer dollars that fund abortion today to Maine's pregnancy resource centers and adoption agencies tomorrow, and when we shift our attention to help post-abortive women heal with love, hope, redemption, and confidence to speak the truth, we heal Maine. Abortion does NOT give women freedom and empowerment; It hurts women, and it kills our state.

Maine – The Way Life Should Be cannot afford to fall prey to Opposite Day. Mainers deserve truth. Together let's keep our eyes on the prize – our culture of life. Thank you to our members, advertisers, patron donors and sponsor partners. Just as a baby in the womb needs its mother, without you, Maine Right to Life would not exist.

Join us!

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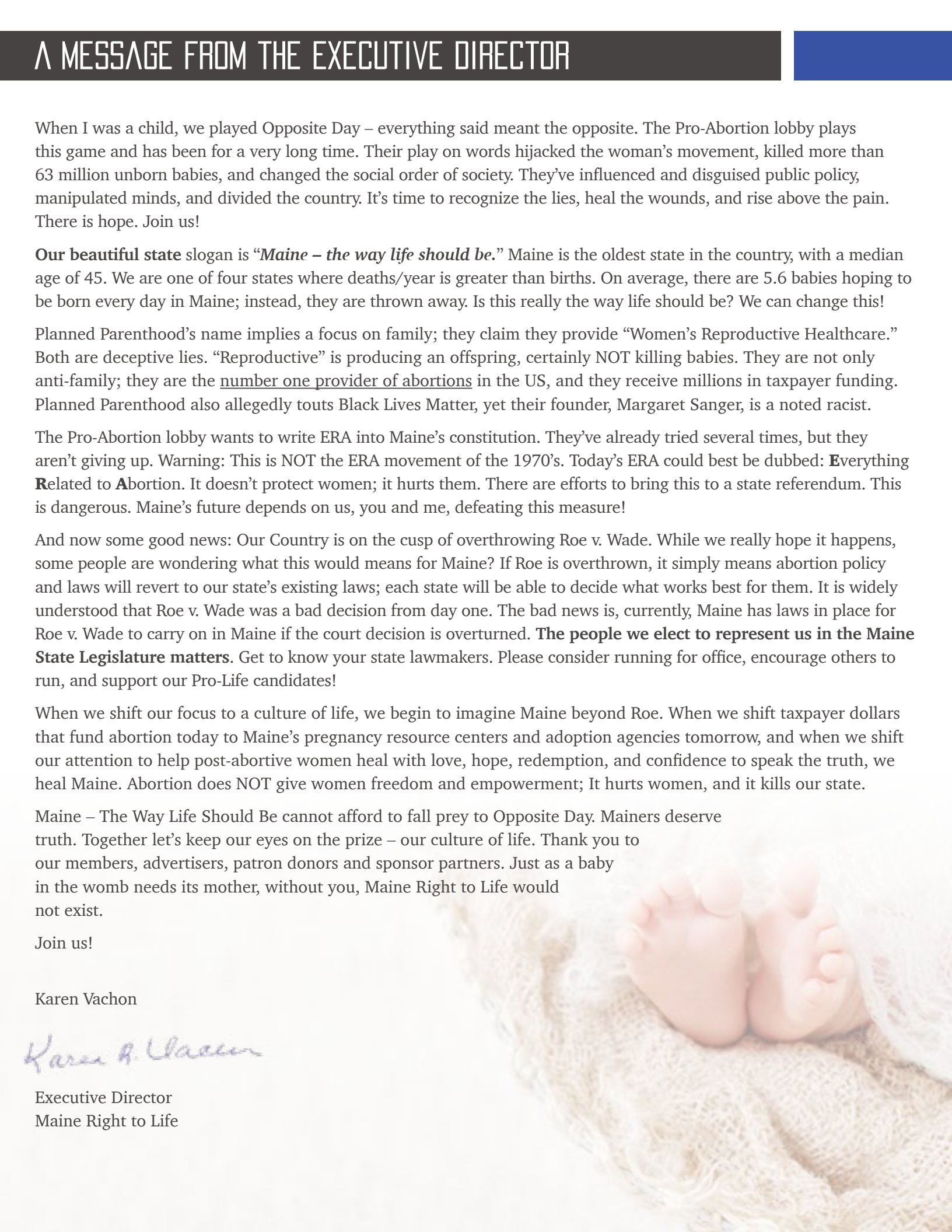

MAINE ABORTION UPDATE AND STATISTICS

ABORTIONS IN MAINE ARE ON THE RISE.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. But in 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare, the number of abortions increased to 2021.

In 2020, that figure increased again, despite the COVID lockdown, to 2064.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. **Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions.** MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1, 046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 618, a 38 percent drop from 2019.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

However, the number of chemical abortions increased again in 2020 to 1446, a 40 percent jump.
In 2020, 70 percent of all abortions were chemical.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan, and Waterville.

The significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions in 2020 may be due in large part to the restrictions implemented due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic.

While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, although falling slightly in 2019 to 92 and falling again in 2020 to 80.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is still NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.6 abortions committed EVERY DAY... 39.7 abortions EACH WEEK.

*For more detailed figures and tables visit www.MaineRightToLife.com. *Statistics provided my Maine CDC*

PRO-WOMEN

Motherhood is a divine privilege that must be protected because our existence depends on women! Women are the bearers of life. They have a womb and are biologically designed to nourish and nurture new life, giving birth to the world.

The founders of the women's movement wanted to be admired and respected for their womanhood and their equal brain matter. They did not say that to be equal to men, women must reject their femininity. They never envisioned a world where the right to vote, would be displaced with the slavery of abortion, and worse, sugar coated to look like freedom, autonomy, and equality – packaged and sold as "women's reproductive healthcare."

No! Women are being sold down the river, just like the slaves before them. To be a woman doesn't mean that every woman should become a mother; nor every man become a father. Gender defines biologically who we are and who we are not. Authentic gender equality should respect and protect what makes women different. But this isn't happening.

Today, gender equality is being defined as being one in the same, when biologically, we know this is not true. The age of gender fluidity is exploiting women. Last year, three high school track stars from Connecticut (biologically female) sued because two transgender students, identifying as girls, but with male anatomy, deprived the girls of honors and opportunities for scholarships. Most recently, a 22-year old Pennsylvania transgender swimmer took America's top trophy in university sports dashing the hopes of every other woman in the competition. Those who dare speak up against this are verbally assaulted.

What has gotten confused in the women's movement is a false and unrealistic belief that a woman can do everything a man does. That very notion, diminishes women worldwide. Sex selection, also known as gendercide, is happening. It is estimated that roughly 200 million baby girls have been intentionally aborted – why?... because they are girls.

Gendercide affects the sex ratio in society. A surplus of men causes violent social consequences. When there aren't enough women to go around, women become an underclass. This puts them at risk of being stolen or sold into prostitution or marriage.

We see the risks to biological women, when men choosing to identify as women gain access to women's bathrooms, locker rooms, and female dormitories. Today, authentic women cannot win for being true women. Yet – under the guise of protecting women, comes ERA ratification, and the rush to get ERA written into the constitution.

The late Phyllis Schlafly (1924-2016), housewife, mother of six, lawyer, and activist, may be best known for exposing ERA ratification for what it really is, and brought it down. ERA ratification was initially thought to be a symbolic bipartisan piece of legislation that would sail on through. However, Phyllis Schlafly exposed it for what it really is. Her actions turned ERA ratification into a lightning rod – ERA wasn't ratified.

Phyllis Schlafly exposed the problems, took action, and engaged a grass-roots movement made up of inexperienced and unlikely activists: "Housewives", as she explained, who "didn't even know where their state capitol was". She founded STOP ERA, an acronym for Stop Taking Our Privileges, exposing the unintended consequences ratification posed: The stripping of gender roles, alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, single sex restrooms; leading to taxpayer funded abortions and the forced military draft of women. If the ERA is written into the US Constitution, it will wipe out laws already in place, that protect women's unique needs.

ERA ratification doesn't do what it is supposed to do: Protect Women for who they are, and what their gender is designed to do – nurture, protect, and give the world new life. The women's movement and ERA have both been hijacked.

Maine – of all states, should place high value on women and motherhood. The healthy viability of our state will depend on human reproduction. Maine is the oldest state in the country, with a median age of 45. We are one

of only four states that has more deaths per year than births. And we abort more than 5 unborn babies every day. We cannot afford to abort our future generation. This impacts our society, economy and the sustainable health of our future. It's time to honor, promote, and support motherhood.

Maine should take the lead from Phyllis Schlafly. It's time to get to know our lawmakers, and let them know how important human reproduction is. Taxpayer funds should be directed toward protecting the unborn and pregnant women; supporting families and motherhood. This is what "women's reproductive healthcare and family planning" really is.

Mainer's need to stop falling prey to the "opposite game" – abortion is NOT "family planning and reproductive healthcare", and ERA is not "Equal Rights for Women" – they are the exact opposite, and they are killing Maine.

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ERA RATIFICATION – WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL ABOUT

Abortion advocates will not quit! They have plenty of tricks up their sleeves. Don't be fooled! ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. ERA is better described as being everything related to abortion. There was a time when advocates denied this. But not now…

Pro-abortion advocates are reeling. Roe v Wade is on the cusp of being overturned. The push is on to ratify the ERA because, if and when Roe v. Wade is overturned, ERA becomes the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limits on abortion and to require taxpayer funding of all elective abortions at state and federal levels. If ERA is written into the US Constitution, Roe v. Wade is no longer needed.

But there's a problem… efforts to ratify the ERA expired years ago! Ratification is what amends the constitution. It is a two-step process. First, it must pass Congress, then three-fourths of the states (38) must vote to ratify.

In 1972, Congress proposed an amendment to the US Constitution, known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" to nullify any law or government policy that discriminates "on account of sex". The submitted resolution contained a seven-year deadline for the required ratification by 38 states, which did not occur.

Twenty-two state legislatures ratified the ERA quickly, with little debate by the end of 1972. This was before the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision. Twelve more states ratified before government funding of abortion became a national issue. By 1977 only 35 state legislatures voted for ratification. Maine was one of them – voted on January 18, 1974.

In 1978, Congress voted to extend the original March 1979 deadline to June 30, 1982. However, no additional states voted yes before that date, and the ERA was still three states short. Meanwhile, five states voted to rescinded their support of ERA, within the timeframe, as follows:

Nebraska: March 15, 1973

Tennessee: April 23, 1974

Idaho: February 8, 1977

Kentucky: March 20, 1978

South Dakota: March 5, 1979

In 1982, the US Supreme Court recognized that the ERA had failed to achieve ratification. Nevertheless, ignoring constitutional requirements, activist groups insist that congress has the power to retroactively erase the deadline, after which the 1972 ERA will become part of the Constitution if they got the three additional states needed to ratify it.

Today, ERA advocates have less support in Congress than in 1972. Rather than seeking compromise on amendment language, they attack the integrity of the constitutional amendment process, arguing the deadline is unconstitutional, and can be removed retroactively by any Congress, now or in the future. Efforts to seek three more states was achieved: Nevada -2017, Illinois – 2018, and finally, Virginia – 2020.

Archivists chose not to record the three states as valid. Attorney generals of Virginia, Nevada, and Illinois sued the federal court in Washington.

ERA – WE DON'T NEED IT IN THE US CONSTITUTION!

"Equal Rights" sounds so fair and equitable, doesn't it? Don't be fooled. ERA is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

ERA Ratification isn't necessary and goes to far. Women are already protected under The Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 , are laws already in place to protect women.

ERA ratification hurts women – it jeopardizes their unique needs and physical biological differences resulting in the stripping of gender roles. This will impact alimony, child custody, sexual assault protection, and lead to single sex bathrooms, increased taxpayer funded abortions, and the forced military draft of women.

Judge Rudolph Contreras, dismissed the case saying: "Plaintiffs' ratifications came after both the original and extended deadlines that Congress attached to the ERA, so the Archivist is not bound to record them as valid." During the 2020 presidential campaign, the Biden-Harris campaign made a campaign promise that "Biden will proudly advocate for Congress to recognize the ¾ of states have ratified the amendment and take action so our Constitution includes ERA." The US House of Representatives along with Democratic majority leadership also announced plans to advance a resolution to retroactively remove the deadline. They were delivered a serious blow three days before the vote on the House floor, when longtime ERA champion, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg addressed the validity of the deadline and the power of the states wishing to rescind, Bader Ginsburg said, "I would like to see a new beginning. I'd like it to start over. There's too much controversy about latecomers – Virginia, long after the deadline passed. Plus a number of states have withdrawn their ratification. So, if you count a latecomer on the plus side, how can you disregard states that said, 'We've changed our minds'?"

Whether it's judges, Supreme Court Justices, state legislatures, or the general public – people are waking up to what the ERA really is, and why advocates push so hard for it. There once was a time, when Pro-Life advocates exposed ERA as being everything related to abortion were accused as lying, misleading, and imposing scare tactics. However, this is no longer the case.

On January 27, 2022, President Biden, in an attempt to appease political activist, issued a statement: "I am calling on Congress to act immediately to pass a resolution recognizing ratification of the ERA."

At some point soon, the US Senate will conduct a Cloture Vote on the "Deadline Removal" measure, that purports to retroactively remove the ratification deadline. Senator Susan Collins is one of only two Republicans who support the measure. Not a single other Republican has expressed support for the "deadline removal" measure.

Clearly, ERA advocates will not stop! "The ERA – cannot-die movement has run up an unbroken 40-year losing streak in the courts, before federal judges of every political stripe," explains Douglas Johnson, National Right To Life Committee's Federal Legislative Director, who has put together a comprehensive in-depth special report on the Equal Rights Amendment – it is worth a read! "So far, 26 federal judges and justices have had opportunities to act on some substantive or jurisdictional issue advanced by ERA-revival litigators – and those litigators have yet to get a single judge on any component of their theories, although the judges were nearly evenly divided in party affiliation."

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Now Pro-ERA and abortion activists, attorneys, allied office holders have become emboldened and openly proclaim that ERA will protect federal "abortion rights." Georgetown Law Professor, Victoria Nourse said: "Without a text of the ERA [in the Constitution] it may well be that the [Supreme] Court reverses Roe v Wade." With more Pro-ERA advocacy groups chiming in:

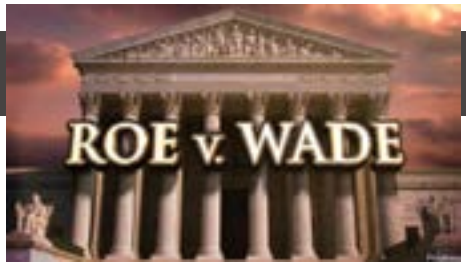
> **National Organization for Women: "an ERA – properly interpreted – could negate the hundreds of laws that have been passed restricting access to abortion card…"**
>
> **NARAL Pro-Choice America: "The ERA would reinforce the constitutional right to abortion…[it] would require judges to strike down anti-abortion laws…"**

Associated Press – January 1, 2020, quoted Emily Martin, from National Women's Law Center: "Adding the amendment to the Constitution would enable courts to rule that restrictions on abortion 'perpetuate gender inequity.'" Later that same month, AP reporter David Crary wrote, "Abortion rights supporters are eager to nullify the [ERA ratification] deadline and get the amendment ratified so it could be used to overturn state laws restricting abortion."

So important that get abortion written into the US constitution, ERA advocates will chip around all the edges of state legislatures to make their inroads. Maine law maker, Lois Reckett (D) – South Portland is determined to cover all bases. This year she introduced LD433: A "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Explicitly Prohibit Discrimination Based on the Sex of an Individual" was brought before the legislature. If it had received a two-thirds vote in both the Maine House and Maine Senate, ERA would be a referendum question on this November 2022's ballot. LD433 failed to get the needed 2/3 vote. But, rest assured, ERA will be back.

The biased mainstream media aids and abets every step of the way misleading the public that ERA is about equal rights for women, giving Pro-ERA advocates cover to, no longer, not so secretly, get ERA written into the state of Maine and the US Constitution. There is a reason that abortion isn't written into the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence were fighting for the right to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness – not for some, but for all. Abortion doesn't accomplish this!

BE IN THE KNOW WITH ROE AND DOE!



Roe was decided at a unique point in history – January 22, 1973. During this time the world was worried about over population, ultra sound technology was not as developed and widely in use, special interests were claiming that giving birth was ten times riskier than having a legal abortion, women's liberation and radical feminism was in full swing. These factors heavily influenced the Supreme Court decision, which, to this day, is recognized as the biggest over-reach of the Supreme Court in US history.

Across the country, legislatures were hard at work, listening to their constituents, and seriously debating abortion. Thirty-one states had laws on the books prohibiting nearly all abortions except in the case where a woman's life was at risk. A few states allowed elective abortions; however, they set gestational age limits.

The Supreme Court decided to second-guess the legislative branch, by ruling that abortion was constitutionally protected under the Fourteenth Amendment's concept of personal liberty (abortion implicates a pregnant women's "Right to Privacy" in her decision to abort her child) and in the Ninth Amendment's reservation of rights to the people. Additionally, the Court determined that a fetus is not a person under the Constitution.

The Roe v. Wade decision voided all state laws, and instead imposed a one-size-fits-all approach to abortion, taking away the democratic process that allows the most complex issues to be moderated by political and legislative debate. State legislatures know the importance of getting policy right – they have elections every two years – more on this point in a minute…

In contrast, the Supreme Court's power grab resulted in seven unelected Supreme Court Justices, who can serve for life and are supposed to be impartial delivered an abortion decision that not only was and is so far removed from public sentiment that it is very difficult to reverse. The decision resulted in the US being one of only seven countries that allow abortion up to 20 weeks of gestation.

Many people have stepped forward to accuse the court of Judicial Activism. No other Supreme Court decision has caused more public outcry and political divide. Nearly 50 years later they are calling the decision off-base constitutionally based on legal, moral, religious, ethical, and biological grounds; these arguments have caused contentious political divide. There is strong conviction to overturn a decision that has taken the life of more than 63 million unborn children.

Many constitutional lawyers, law professors, and law clerks – liberal and conservative, disagree with the Supreme Court decision. They claim the drafter's intent was to ensure all people's rights would to be guaranteed by the constitution - the Fourteenth Amendment didn't intend to create new rights. Rather, it was written to include rights and liberties to freed slaves and their descendants - who were previously dismissed and legally diminished. Clearly, the unborn child would also fall into this category.

According to American legal scholar, Professor John Hart Ely, "The constitution simply says nothing, clear or fuzzy about abortion… the Justices labored under a special obligation to ground the women's 'right' in some identifiable constitutional value before disabling state governments from regulating abortion procedures… the court manufactured a constitutional right out of a whole cloth and used it to superimpose its own view of wise social policy on those of the legislatures." Constitutional Law professor, Harvard Law School – Laurence Tribe wrote about Roe: "Behind its own verbal smokescreen the substantive judgment on which it rests is nowhere to be found." Pro-Choice legal scholar, and former Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, called the ruling "heavy handed judicial activism." She would have preferred abortion policy to happen more gradually in a process

that included state legislatures and the courts. And Edward Lazarus — former clerk to Chief Supreme Court Justice, Harry Blackmun (author of the opinion on Roe v. Wade) stated: "What, exactly, is the problem with Roe? The problem, I believe, is that it has little connection to the Constitutional right it purportedly interpreted. A constitutional right to privacy broad enough to include abortion has no meaningful foundation in constitutional text, history, or precedent…" All this coming from people in the know!

Many people don't know that on January 22, 1973, there were actually two decisions; they were made on the same day, which the court read together. While we simply refer to the decision as Roe V. Wade – the two cases are Roe V. Wade – Texas, and Doe V. Bolton – Georgia.

Though Doe is rarely spoken about, it is Doe that has the greatest impact on abortion policy. Doe provides the "health exception" after a fetus becomes viable by inserting abortion into the healthcare narrative, the doctor is in charge of a "woman's reproductive healthcare." The Doe v. Bolton decision argued that the life and health of the mother encompass a wide range of reasons. In his majority opinion, former Justice, Harry Blackmun wrote that "medical judgement may be exercised in the light of all factors – physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age – relevant to the well- being of the patient. All of these factors relate to health."

Essentially Doe picks up where Roe leaves off, giving abortion more gestational leeway based on the medical well-being of the pregnant woman. Roe v. Wade states that a woman may have an abortion up to viability. Doe says that a doctor may make a medical judgment justifying an abortion right up to birth. The Doe decision distinguishes the US to be one of only four nations

(Canada, China, and North Korea) that allow abortion for any reason, after fetal viability, right up to birth.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that our abortion policy is among the most liberal in the entire world. The media does a good job keeping the truth from people. They, along with the abortion lobby, portray the Pro-Life movement to be made up of white religious males who know nothing about the woman's body. The true Pro-Life movement is a very diverse group that includes Pro-Life Democrats *(who were told there was no place for them in the democrat party)*, Progressives, blacks and browns, atheists, Jews, secular, gays and lesbians.

The Roe v. Wade decision was completely out of touch with public opinion from the very beginning. For the past 25 years, the hearts and minds of Americans favor life over abortion. This is demonstrated in the decline in abortions throughout the US. The percentage of women having abortions today has dropped to 1972 levels (the year before the Roe V. Wade decision). The CDC reports abortion rates are down in both pro-life and pro-abortion states by upwards of 30%.

A Gallop Poll, June 29, 2020 shows American's view on abortion remains steady over the past decade. Overall, American's are equally split 47% Pro-Choice and 47% Pro-Life. When asked about the morality of abortion, 44% find abortion morally acceptable, while 47% see abortion as morally wrong. When asked if abortion should be legal in all circumstances, certain circumstances, or illegal in all, 29% want abortion legal under any circumstance; 50% think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, while 20% think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. All told, 55% of Americans favor a more restrictive approach to abortion, while 43% favor a less restrictive approach.

A lot has changed since the Roe V Wade decision. Today, 95% of biologists affirm that human life begins at fertilization. The concern of over-population has been debunked. And despite numerous efforts in the state legislatures to pass more restrictive policy after viability, laws passed are often sent to the federal appellate court of appeals, where they are tried and rejected.

When it comes to overthrowing Roe, things are heating up! In September of 2019 at a live national town hall debate at the National Constitutional Center in Philadelphia, "Should Roe v. Wade be overturned" was addressed. Kathryn Kolbert – the pro-abortion lawyer who argued the 1992 supreme court case Planned

Parenthood v. Casey, (the court refused to overturn Roe), stated: "This court is prepared to overturn Roe and return the matter to the states." A law professor on the panel nodded and added: "All of us assume the Court will overturn Roe."

A new Texas abortion law passed banning abortion after 6 weeks. The law took effect on September 1, 2021, after the Fifth Circuit court of appeals denied the plaintiffs' request to block the law and the Supreme Court failed to intervene. It is the first time a state has successfully imposed a six-week abortion ban since Roe v. Wade.

In 2018, Mississippi passed an abortion law making most abortion illegal after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The law never went into effect because an immediate legal challenge led to a federal appellate court that blocked its enforcement. This will be the first time the Supreme Court will rule on the constitionality of a pre-viability abortion ban since Roe. The abortion industry is reeling. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on the case in June 2022

Speaking at the National Press Club, Nov. 30, 2021, Former Vice President Mike Pence called on the Supreme Court to overturn Roe V. Wade, arguing that it has destabilized our nation for decades: "The truth is nothing has been more destabilizing in our society for the last 50 years than legalized abortion… I believe it's no coincidence that the last half century has seen a persistent rise in family instability, single-parent households, a decline in family formation, increase in unplanned pregnancies and an explosion in sexually transmitted disease."

These recent events have created both hope for Pro-Life advocates and outrage among Pro-Abortion advocates – already threatening a revolution and a whole lot of confusion from the general public. People ask: What will happen if Roe is overturned? The short answer is the issue will go back to the state legislatures.

The legislative body, especially that of the State House of Representatives, is the body of government designed to have the finger on the pulse of constituents. They are supposed to be the local voice brought forward to affect state policy. How well each State Representative does their job, is determined by election every two years. The debate over abortion will likely never go away. Keeping the issue close to the people is where it should have stayed all along.

Did You Know...

at 15 weeks, your baby is practicing important skills for when she is ready to greet the world. Though you can't feel her yet, she is kicking, curling her toes, and stretching her arms and legs.

US GOVERNMENT: THREE BRANCHES – THREE DISTINCT ROLES

At the end of the American Revolution (known as the war for independence) in 1783, the US government was in a state of change. The founding fathers didn't want to become another country ruled by a king. They envisioned a strong and fair national government that honored and protected individual freedoms and protected against abuse of power.

To this end, in 1787, a new constitution established a structure of government with three separate branches – Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Each had their own powers, which together formed checks and balances to ensure that no one branch would become too powerful. Together, all three branches would run our country to establish guidelines for all to live by.

The Legislative branch (Article I of the US Constitution) was drafted first. Many believe because it is the most important. The legislative branch's primary job is to make laws. Divided into two chambers – the House of Representatives and the Senate – make up Congress. This body of government *is elected by the people*. The House of Representatives is elected every two years. The Senate is elected every six years. In order for a law to pass, each chamber votes on the same bill, and each must secure a majority vote – thus providing a check and cross check.

The Executive Branch (Article II of the US Constitution) includes the office of the President, as Commander in Chief. the Vice President, and Cabinet. Unlike members of congress, who are elected directly by the people, the President and Vice President *are elected through the electoral college system*. They are elected every four years.

The Judicial branch (Article III of the US Constitution) is responsible for applying and interpreting laws, by way of nine Supreme Court Justices and other federal and district courts of appeal, which have the power of judicial review. Unlike other branches of the government, Supreme Court Justices are not elected. The President nominates Supreme Court candidates, and the senate votes to confirm or reject the appointment. Supreme Court Justices don't have term limits, and can serve until they die, retire, or are removed by congress.

When the constitution was first drafted, it was rather vague about the specific power of the Supreme Court. Section 1 identifies the Supreme Court to be the third branch of government empowered to decide cases; Section 2 addresses the jurisdiction, and Section 3 determines regulations around treason cases. There is no mention about interpreting the constitutionality of the laws – which, today, is what the Supreme Court is most famous for. This begs the question: How did this happen?

In an 1803 Supreme Court case, Marbury Vs. Madison, Chief Justice John Marshall ruled that the law Marbury was using to make his case was unconstitutional. This ruling established that it was the US Supreme Courts responsibility to interpret the constitutionality of laws – thus, judicial review was born. In 1869, the number of Supreme Court Justices was expanded from six to nine, where it has remained since.

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the country. When the Supreme Court makes a ruling, all other courts must follow. Decisions made by the Supreme Court are final unless a future Supreme Court determines the decision unconstitutional. This happened in the 1954 case, Brown Vs. Board of Education

Historically, the Roe V. Wade decision remains the most controversial. Today, nearly 50 years later, no other decision has caused more outcry. A nation divide, there is strong public support, and some Supreme Court Justices in agreement, that Roe should be overturned on moral and legal grounds. Deemed Judicial over-reach, the role of the Supreme Court is to be impartial and to referee, not create laws. Seven unelected Supreme Court Justices overturned the will of the people in all 50 states!

Since the inception of the constitution, only one branch of government has expanded in size and power – and that is the Supreme Court. This non-elected body of government serves for life and makes decisions that have lifetime consequences.

This calls into question, the Founding Father's intent, to have a balance of power with checks and balances causing us all to ask: How do we assess the impact of destroying over 63 million unborn children? Do you think the Supreme Court has become too powerful?

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

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	Janet T. Mills	Farmington

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	Jared Forrest Golden	Lewiston
	Bruce Poliquin	Orrington

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STATE SENATE D3	Shawn G. Bean	Madison
	Bradlee Thomas Farrin	Norridgewock
STATE SENATE D4	Stacey K. Guerin	Glenburn
	Andrea I. Thurlow	Atkinson Twp
STATE SENATE D5	Russell J. Black	Wilton
	Stanley A. Wheeler	Farmington
STATE SENATE D6	Jonathan C. Goble	Cherryfield
	Marianne Moore	Calais
STATE SENATE D7	Nicole C. Grohoski	Ellsworth
	Brian D. Langley	Ellsworth
STATE SENATE D8	Abraham Woodman Furth	Old Town
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	Grace Ann Tibbetts	Lincoln
	Michael Tipping	Orono
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	W. Scott Rocknak	Camden
STATE SENATE D13	David Levesque	Newcastle
	Cameron D. Reny	Bristol
	Abden Simmons	Waldoboro
STATE SENATE D14	Jeffery P. Hanley	Pittston
	Craig V. Hickman	Winthrop
STATE SENATE D15	Matthew Gary Pouliot	Augusta
	Storme Jude St. Valle	Augusta
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	Kevin D. Kitchin	Fairfield
	David P. LaFountain	Winslow
	Michael D. Perkins	Oakland
STATE SENATE D17	Jo-Jean Keller	Lisbon
	Jeffrey L. Timberlake	Turner
STATE SENATE D18	Richard A. Bennett	Oxford
	Colin D. O'Neill	Oxford
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	Bettyann W. Sheats	Auburn

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STATE SENATE D23	Matthea Elisabeth Daughtry	Brunswick
	Brogan P.K. Teel	Brunswick
STATE SENATE D24	Matthew R. Brackley	West Bath
	Eloise A. Vitelli	Arrowsic
STATE SENATE D25	Teresa S. Pierce	Falmouth
	Jennifer L. White	Gray
STATE SENATE D26	Timothy E. Nangle	Windham
	Gary E. Plummer	Windham
STATE SENATE D27	Kenneth A. Capron	Portland
	Jill C. Duson	Portland
	Jeffrey Tounge	Portland
STATE SENATE D28	Benjamin M. Chipman	Portland
	Ryan M. McMann	Portland
STATE SENATE D29	Anne M. Carney	Cape Elizabeth
	John Wesley Lewis	Cape Elizabeth
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	Timothy J. Thorsen	Gorham
STATE SENATE D31	Donna Bailey	Saco
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STATE SENATE D32	David G. Corbett	Lyman
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STATE SENATE D35	Mark W. Lawrence	Eliot
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	Jordyn Victoria Rossignol	Caribou
STATE REP D5	Kevin Gregory Freeman	Presque Isle
	Joseph F. Underwood	Presque Isle
STATE REP D6	Donald J. Ardell	Monticello
STATE REP D7	Michael E. Carpenter	Houlton
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STATE REP D8	Tracy Lynn Quint	Hodgdon
	Kevin B. Ritchie	Lee
STATE REP D9	John Victor Chambers	Calais
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STATE REP D11	Kendall M. Alley	Machias
	Roland Eben Rogers III	Jonesport
	Tiffany Strout	Harrington
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	Duncan G. Haass	Lamoine
	Lynne A. Williams	Bar Harbor

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STATE REP D17	Sherman H. Hutchins	Penobscot
	Pamela W. Person	Orland
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	Timothy B. Throckmorton	Dedham
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STATE REP D23	David J. Pece	Bangor
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	Joseph C. Perry	Bangor
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	Laurie J. Osher	Orono
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	Julie Vaillancourt	Milford
STATE REP D28	Natalie D. DiPentino	Enfield
	Jeffery Allen Gifford	Lincoln
STATE REP D29	Kathy Irene Javner	Chester
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	James Lee White	Guilford
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	Chad Richard Perkins	Dover-Foxcroft
STATE REP D32	Steven D. Foster	Dexter
STATE REP D33	Danny E. Costain	Plymouth
	Donovan E. Todd, III	Etna
STATE REP D34	Abigail W. Griffin	Levant
	Frank LawrenceRoma	Glenburn
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	James E. Thorne	Carmel
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	David G. Haggan	Hampden
STATE REP D37	Margaret D. English-Flanagan	Winterport
	Kevin J. Kelley	Winterport
	Reagan L. Paul	Winterport
STATE REP D38	Heather Elizabeth Garrold	Knox
	Benjamin C. Hymes	Waldo
	Robyn M. Stanicki	Unity
	Jesse J. Waryck	Brooks
STATE REP D39	Janice S. Dodge	Belfast
	Stephen J. Hemenway	Northport
STATE REP D40	Tricia M. Harrington	Liberty
	Stanley Paige Zeigler Jr.	Montville
STATE REP D41	Susan Lee Butterworth	Camden
	Victoria W. Doudera	Camden
STATE REP D42	Valli D. Geiger	Rockland
	Roger V. Tranfaglia	Rockland
STATE REP D43	Ann Higgins Matlack	St. George
	Heather Anne Sprague	Cushing

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STATE REP D44	Crystal L. Robinson	Hope
STATE REP D45	Clinton E. Collamore	Waldoboro
	Lynn J. Madison	Waldoboro
STATE REP D46	Lydia V. Crafts	Newcastle
	Merle James Parise, II	Newcastle
STATE REP D47	Edward J. Polewarczyk	Wiscasset
STATE REP D48	Thomas A. Moroney	Boothbay
	Holly B. Stover	Boothbay
	Tricia L. Warren	Boothbay Harbor
STATE REP D49	Allison L. Hepler	Woolwich
	Richard Henry Tetrev	Woolwich
STATE REP D50	Jason E. Desjardins	Bath
	Sean C. Paulhus	Bath
STATE REP D51	Linda L. Baker	Topsham
	Rebecca L. Jauch	Topsham
STATE REP D52	Seth A. Berry	Bowdoinham
STATE REP D53	Jane L. Beckwith	Randolph
	Michael Lemelin	Chelsea
STATE REP D54	Charles J. Bussell	Gardiner
	Karen L. Montell	Gardiner
STATE REP D55	Daniel Joseph Shagoury	Hallowell
	Phillip Ryan Wiseman	Hallowell
	Patrick B. Wynne	Hallowell
STATE REP D56	Randall Adam Greenwood	Wales
STATE REP D57	Tavis Rock Hasenfus	Readfield
	Corey S. Wilson	Readfield

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STATE REP D58	Robert Smith Neal	New Sharon
	Daniel J. Newman	Belgrade
STATE REP D59	Raegan French LaRochelle	Augusta
	Micheal Raymond Michaud	Augusta
	James E. Orr	Augusta
STATE REP D60	William R. Bridgeo	Augusta
	William L. Clardy	Augusta
STATE REP D61	Richard T. Bradstreet	Vassalboro
	Amy J. Davidoff	Vassalboro
STATE REP D62	Katrina J. Smith	Palermo
	Pamela J. Swift	Palermo
	Jennifer V. Tuminaro	China
STATE REP D63	Phillip Bloomstein	Freedom
	Scott Wynn Cyrway	Albion
STATE REP D64	Colleen M. Madigan	Waterville
	Ruth Ann Malcolm	Waterville
STATE REP D65	Tammy Brown	Waterville
	Bruce A. White	Waterville
STATE REP D66	Alicia Barnes	Oakland
	Robert W. Nutting	Oakland
STATE REP D67	Shelley J. Rudnicki	Fairfield
	Robert Sezak	Fairfield
STATE REP D68	Amanda Noelle Collamore	Pittsfield
	Stanley Byron Short, Jr.	Pittsfield
STATE REP D69	Dean A. Cray	Palmyra
	Stephen A. Hale	Canaan
STATE REP D70	Iver W. Lofving	Skowhegan
	Jennifer Lynn Poirier	Skowhegan
STATE REP D71	John E. Ducharme, III	Madison
	Allison Mary Perkins	Cornville

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STATE REP D72	Larry C. Dunphy	Embden
STATE REP D73	Nancy J. Bessey	Dallas Plt.
	Vincent Michael House	Sandy River Plt.
	Michael Soboleski	Phillips
STATE REP D74	Randall C. Hall	Wilton
	Gregory M. Kimber	Temple
STATE REP D75	Tiffany E. Estabrook	Chesterville
	H. Scott Landry	Farmington
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STATE REP D77	Bonita L. Bishop	Hartford
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	Don R. Berry	Sumner
	Ryan G. Ricci	Paris
STATE REP D80	Caldwell Jackson	Oxford
STATE REP D81	H. Sawin Millett, Jr.	Waterford
	Daniel A. Sipe	Norway
STATE REP D82	Nathan Robert Leigh Burnett	Hiram
	Caleb Joshua Ness	Fryeburg
STATE REP D83	Donna Dodge	Denmark
	Sierra Dyan Scribner	Harrison
STATE REP D84	Barry F. Powers	Sebago
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	Christopher V. Struebing	Standish
STATE REP D86	Jessica L. Fay	Raymond
	Gregory E. Foster	Raymond
	Karen L. Lockwood	Raymond
STATE REP D87	David W. Boyer	Poland
STATE REP D88	Patrick W. Munsell	Auburn
	Kathleen A. Shaw	Auburn
STATE REP D89	Adam R. Lee	Auburn
STATE REP D90	Amy Dieterich	Auburn
	Laurel D. Libby	Auburn
STATE REP D91	Hildie J. Lipson	Wayne
	Joshua K. Morris	Turner
STATE REP D92	Thomas Henry Martin Jr.	Greene
	Stephen J. Wood	Greene
STATE REP D93	Margaret M. Craven	Lewiston
	Robert Andrew McCarthy	Lewiston
STATE REP D94	Janet Inger Beaudoin	Lewiston
	Kristen Sarah Cloutier	Lewiston
STATE REP D95	Mana H. Abdi	Lewiston
	Fred O. Sanborn-Silvers	Lewiston
STATE REP D96	Jonathan M. Connor	Lewiston
	John V. Myrand	Lewiston
STATE REP D97	Scott Newman Gaiason	Lisbon
	Richard G. Mason	Lisbon
STATE REP D98	Orion Evenstar Breen	Pownal
	Joseph C. Galletta	Durham
	Guy M. Lebida	Bowdoin

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	Michael J. Lawler	Brunswick
	Sheila S. Menair	Harpswell
STATE REP D100	Daniel J. Ankeles	Brunswick
	Andrew Kingman Kaleigh	Brunswick
	Angela D. Lallier	Brunswick
STATE REP D101	Poppy T. Arford	Brunswick
	Ravi Jackson	Brunswick
STATE REP D102	James J. Finegan Jr.	Freeport
	Gina B. LeDuc-Kuntz	Freeport
	Melanie F. Sachs	Freeport
STATE REP D103	Arthur L. Bell	Yarmouth
	William C. Gardiner	Yarmouth
STATE REP D104	Amy Bradstreet Arata	New Gloucester
STATE REP D105	Anne Graham	North Yarmouth
	David Lawrence Reed	North Yarmouth
STATE REP D106	Barbara A. Bagshaw	Windham
	Jonathan E. Priest	Windham
	Thomas M. Tyler	Windham
STATE REP D107	Paul C. Fullam	Windham
	Michael David Hall	Windham
STATE REP D108	Stephanie R. Cressey	Gorham
	Maureen Fitzgerald Terry	Gorham
STATE REP D109	James Allen Boyle	Gorham
	Joseph Edwards Velozo	Gorham
STATE REP D110	Scott William Jordan	Cumberland
	Stephen W. Moriarty	Cumberland
STATE REP D111	Amy D. Kuhn	Falmouth
	Christopher Mark Storms	Falmouth

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	Tammy Ryan	Portland
STATE REP D113	Grayson B. Lookner	Portland
STATE REP D114	Benjamin T. Collings	Portland
	Daniel L. Merrill	Portland
STATE REP D115	Michael F. Brennan	Portland
	Andrew Thomas Mahaleris	Portland
STATE REP D116	Dale J. Holman	Portland
	Samuel Lewis Zager	Portland
STATE REP D117	Matthew Moonen	Portland
		Portland
STATE REP D118	Rachel Talbot Ross	Portland
STATE REP D119	Peter Ignatius Doyle	Portland
	Susanne K. Robins	Portland
	Charles A. Skold	Portland
STATE REP D120	Michael J. Dougherty	So. Portland
	Victoria Morales	So. Portland
STATE REP D121	Christopher J. Kessler	So. Portland
	Tammy Walter	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D122	Lois Galgay Reckitt	So. Portland
STATE REP D123	Annie Christy	Cape Elizabeth
	Rebecca J. Millett	Cape Elizabeth
STATE REP D124	Lisa Markowski	Scarborough
	Sophia B. Warren	Scarborough
STATE REP D125	Christopher A. Bolduc	Scarborough
	Christopher James Caiazzo	Scarborough

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	Morgan J. Rielly	Westbrook
STATE REP D128	Charles William Ellis	Westbrook
	Suzanne M. Salisbury	Westbrook
STATE REP D129	Stephen R. DuPuis	Saco
	Margaret M. O'Neil	Saco
STATE REP D130	Lynn H. Copeland	Saco
	Theodore L. Sirois	Saco
STATE REP D131	Scott B. Eccleston	Old Orchard Beach
	Lori Kathryn Gramlich	Old Orchard Beach
STATE REP D132	Timothy S. Keenan	Biddeford
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STATE REP D133	Marc G. Malon II	Biddeford
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	Ronald C. Russell	Kennebunkport
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	Daniel Sayre	Kennebunk
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	Joseph Andrew Wagner	Lyman
STATE REP D137	Nathan M. Carlow	Buxton
	Robert W. Faucher	Buxton
STATE REP D138	Mark John Blier	Buxton
STATE REP D139	Nancy Germaine Piche	Waterboro
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STATE REP D141	Patricia E. Kidder	Sanford
	Lucas John Lanigan	Sanford
	John M. McAdam	Sanford
STATE REP D142	Pamela Diane Buck	Sanford
	Joseph Robert Hanslip	Sanford
STATE REP D143	Wesley John Davie	Sanford
	Matthew J. Toth	Sanford
STATE REP D144	Jeffrey Sean Adams	Lebanon
	Corinna Cole	Lebanon
	Daniel M. Norwood	Acton
STATE REP D145	Daniel J. Hobbs	Wells
	Timothy M. Roche	Wells
STATE REP D146	Bradley S. Moulton	York
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	Walter Gerard Runte Jr.	York
STATE REP D147	Paul Hopfgarten	York
	David D. Koopman	York
	Holly T. Sargent	York
STATE REP D148	Thomas A. Lavigne	Berwick
	Margaret Wheeler	Berwick
STATE REP D149	Tiffany Danielle Roberts	So. Berwick
	Mark A. Rouillard	So. Berwick
STATE REP D150	Michele Meyer	Eliot
	David J. Rumery	Eliot
STATE REP D151	Kristi Michele Mathieson	Kittery
	Howard L. Patten	Kittery

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS

Acton	22
Albion	16
Alfred	33
Allagash	1
Alna	13
Alton	8
Amherst	6
Amity	2
Andover	19
Anson	5
Appleton	12
Argyle Township	8
Arundel	32
Ashland	1
Athens	5
Auburn	20
Augusta	15
Aurora	6
Avon	19
Baldwin	22
Bancroft Township	2
Bangor	9
Bar Harbor	7
Belgrade	15
Benton	3
Berwick	34
Bethel	19
Biddeford	32
Bingham	5
Blaine	2
Blue Hill	7
Boorthbay Harbor	13
Boothbay	13
Bradford	4
Bradley	10
Bremen	13
Brewer	10
Bridgewater	2

Bridgton	18
Brighton Plantation	5
Bristol	13
Brooklin	7
Brooksville	7
Brownfield	18
Brunswick	23
Buckfield	19
Bucksport	10
Burlington	8
Buxton	31
Byron	19
Cambridge	5
Camden	12
Canaan	3
Canton	19
Cape Elizabeth	29
Caratunk	5
Caribou	1
Carmel	10
Carrabassett Valley	5
Carroll Plantation	8
Carthage	19
Casco	26
Castine	7
Castle Hill	1
Caswell	1
Central Arrostook UT	2
Central Hancock UT	6
Central Somerset UT	5
Chapman	1
Charleston	4
Chebeague Island	23
Chelsea	14
Chester	2
Chesterville	5
China	15
Clifton	10

Clinton	3
Connor	1
Coplin Plantation	19
Corinna	4
Corinth	4
Cornish	22
Cornville	5
Cranberry Isles	7
Criehaven UT	12
Crystal	2
Cumberland	25
Cushing	12
Cyr Plantation	1
Dallas Plantation	19
Damariscotta	13
Dayton	32
Dedham	10
Deer Isle	7
Denmark	18
Dennistown Plantation	5
Detroit	3
Dexter	4
Dixfield	19
Dixmont	3
Dresden	24
Drew Plantation	2
Durham	20
Dyer Brook	2
Eagle Lake	1
East Central Franklin UT	5
East Central Penobscot UT	8
East Hancock UT	6
East Millinocket	2
Eastbrook Franklin	6
Easton	2
Eddington	10
Edgecomb	13
Edinburg	8

Eliot	35
Ellsworth	7
Embden	5
Enfield	8
Etna	3
eustis	19
Exeter	4
Fairfield	16
Falmouth	25
Farmindale	14
Farmiongton	5
Fayette	17
Fort Fairfield	1
Fort Kent	1
Frechville	1
Freeport	23
Frenchboro	7
Friendship	12
Frye Island	26
Fryeburg	18
Gardiner	14
Garfield Plantation	1
Garland	4
Gilead	19
Glenburn	4
Glenwood Plantation	2
Gorham	30
Gouldsboro	6
Grand Isle	1
Gray	25
Great Pond	6
Greenbush	8
Greene	17
Greenwood	19
Hallowell	14
Hamlin	1
Hammond	2
Hampden	10

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
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STOP THINK ACT

Maine Right to Life cordially invites you to stand tall, come together and restore the proper slogan: Maine – The Way LIFE Should Be!

We are Pro-LIfe, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women, and we have had enough of peing cooped up, silenced, and diminshed because we love and cherish the sanctity of human life from womb to tomb and we love the beautiful state of Maine.

Maine Right to Life is gathering people who value life – in all its forms – to provide a safe haven to come together, learn about the Pro-Life movement, interact with our decision makers in Augusta, and become strong and informed advocates for life – the way LIFE should be in Maine. If you love life and love Maine, please join us!

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WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

SAY	DON'T SAY
Decisions, Alternatives, Options	Choice
Unborn child, Pre-born Child, Baby	Fetus
She or He	It (about the baby)
Mother	(Pregnant) Woman
Abortionist	Doctor, Physician
Abortion Facility	Clinic, Hospital
Abortion Industry	Reproductive Health Care Providers, Family Planning Centers
Abortion	Reproductive Health Care, Termination of Pregnancy
Pro-Abortion	Pro-Choice
Pro-Life	Anti-Abortion
Protect Unborn Children from Abortion Extreme Abortion On Demand Laws	Prohibit Abortion, Liberal Abortion Laws
Competely Unprotective Laws	Permissive Abortion Laws

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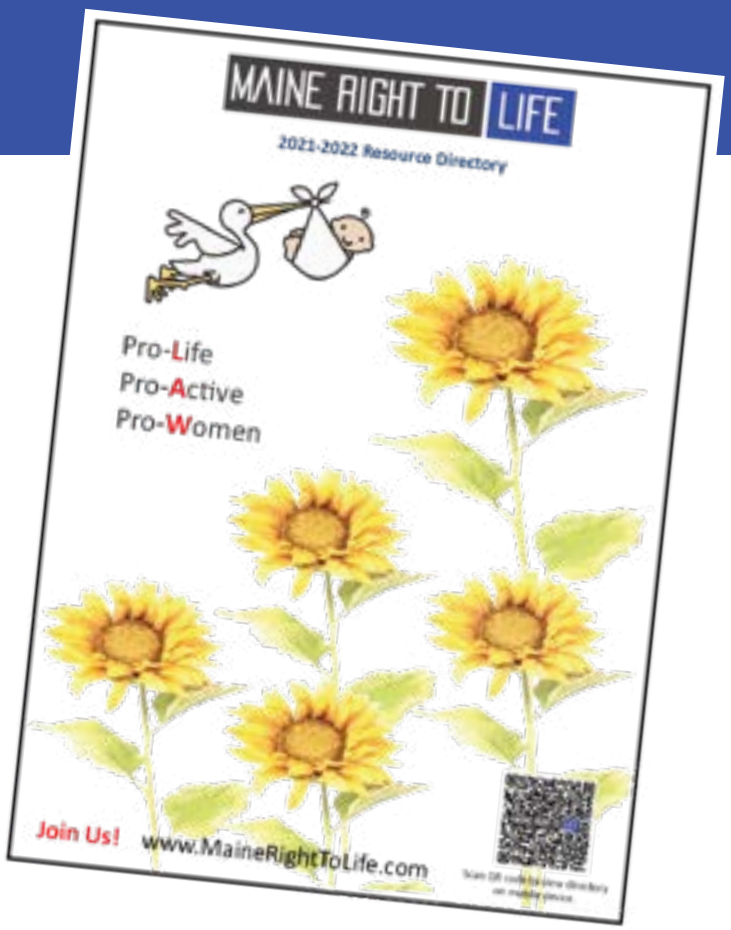

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Karen Vachon, Executive Director

July 06, 2022
207-730-2664

Response to Gov. Mills' Executive Order about "Reproductive Health Care" in Maine

62% of Mainer's opposed the taxpayer funding of abortion. I wonder how Mainer's feel about funding abortions for out-of-stater's, at a time when native Mainer's are struggling to pay rent, buy groceries, and put gas in their cars. I also wonder if women looking to come to Maine for an abortion are aware that Maine:

1. Has no laws requiring safety and cleanliness inspection of abortion clinics.
2. Passed a new law that allows non-doctors to perform abortions.
3. Abortionists are not required admitting privileges to local hospitals if and when something goes wrong.

Not only does Governor Mills executive order (like the abortion industry) calls abortion women's reproductive healthcare, when, in fact and truth, there is nothing reproductive about it (the word "reproductive" means to produce an offspring). Abortion is the taking of an innocent, voiceless human life. Her executive order seeks to review all current laws concerning abortion and lift further restrictions and barriers. Governor Mills executive order is dangerous. Women in Maine and out-of-state deserve better.

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January 19, 2023

Statement: Governor Mills' Abortion Agenda

Maine Right to Life is deeply troubled by Governor Mills abortion agenda. Despite her campaign promise to leave current abortion law as it is, it has become abundantly clear that she has been bought and sold by the Pro-Abortion lobby and Planned Parenthood. Her policy on abortion is out of touch with how the general public really feels.

A recent Marist College poll found that 69% of Americans want abortions banned or limited. Nearly half of all Americans support abortion bans, while 70% of Americans want to ban late term abortions. Since overturning Roe, across the country, support for limiting abortion has increased. Mills, however, wants to remove the longstanding protection in Maine law for viable babies in the womb. . **We cannot let her administration become so cavalier on this issue. This is the murder of human beings.**

Late term abortions are the grizzliest of all. The procedure is dangerous for the mother, and deadly for the unborn baby. The innocent, speechless, precious baby is stabbed at the base of the skull and/or dismembered. The baby can feel pain, and her mother can experience a haunting trauma of guilt and suffering that stains her soul for a lifetime.

Don't let anyone fool you here. This is NOT Women's Reproductive Healthcare. This is NOT women empowerment. The Mills administration is finessing legal murder that not only kills an innocent unborn child, it morally stains our entire society.

Women facing unexpected pregnancy need our love, support, compassion, and care. The taxpayer funding of abortion could and should be better spent to support mother and child. Tell Governor Mills and the lawmakers that support these extreme policies that this is NOT Maine – the way life should be.

We can and must do better. **It's time to scream bloody murder – because the voiceless innocent can't. Please become a Friend for Life today.** The unborn, mother's and fathers, families, and elderly need our tender loving care. Abortion, Infanticide, Euthanasia is not the answer.

Please donate today.

To donate using a check, please print the form below and mail check payable to Maine Right to Life.

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Membership Level:

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NEW! Your membership provides immediate help in saving the lives of the unborn, and supporting women and families here in Maine .

A portion of every paid membership will be donated to a Pregnancy or Adoption Center.

Please choose a center where you would like us to send your support.

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___Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook-Presque Isle
___Mother seton House-Fryeburg
___Hope House Family Support Center-Lewiston
___ABBA-Women's Resource Center-Portland
___Zoe-A Women's Center-Rockport
___Alpha PRC-Sanford
___First Choice Pregnancy Center-Waterville
___Adoption Solutions of Maine-Yarmouth

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Hands At The Capitol

A Respect Life Day Event

April 4, 2023

This is a familiar event, with a slight name and date change. Now that Roe v. Wade has been overturned, abortion policy is determined by individual states.

We need all *HANDS* on deck *AT THE CAPITOL!*

The will of the people, and the lawmakers they elect now has a direct impact on abortion policy in Maine.

Hands At The Capitol is a call to all Pro-Life Mainers to come to the capitol, show your support for life, and meet your Legislators.

—-PLEASE JOIN US—-

Laying of roses in memory of all aborted babies

Press Conference

Education tables from pro-life groups

Meet Legislators

More details coming soon.

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December 2022

Become a Sponsor for our New Resource Directory!

Dear Friends for Life,

Once upon a time, we gave birth to a nation with a novel idea. Individuals have certain unalienable rights. Life. Liberty. The pursuit of happiness.

As abortion takes center stage, it feels like death to our nation. Totalitarianism has arrived. Group think is able to manipulate our minds and bodies. Powerful people use this to control us. **While we are being robbed of our individual rights and our freedoms, we are spellbound.**

It's time to snap out of it! WE need to take back our state - to own and cherish our values and honor our most authentic gift of life.

Now here is some good news. We, the People, have the power to take it back. How? Each of us must focus on life - own it, live it, love it, support it, cherish it, give birth to it. **At Maine Right to Life, we are committed to protecting life from conception to natural death.**

Big money, empty words, false promises, lies and deception have blurred the truth.

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January 19, 2023

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Hands At The Capitol

A Respect Life Day Event

April 4, 2023

This is a familiar event, with a slight name and date change. Now that Roe v. Wade has been overturned, abortion policy is determined by individual states.

We need all *HANDS* on deck *AT THE CAPITOL!*

The will of the people, and the lawmakers they elect now has a direct impact on abortion policy in Maine.

Hands At The Capitol is a call to all Pro-Life Mainers to come to the capitol, show your support for life, and meet your Legislators.

—-PLEASE JOIN US—-

Laying of roses in memory of all aborted babies

Press Conference

Education tables from pro-life groups

Meet Legislators

More details coming soon.

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December 2022

Become a Sponsor for our New Resource Directory!

Dear Friends for Life,

Once upon a time, we gave birth to a nation with a novel idea. Individuals have certain unalienable rights. Life. Liberty. The pursuit of happiness.

As abortion takes center stage, it feels like death to our nation. Totalitarianism has arrived. Group think is able to manipulate our minds and bodies. Powerful people use this to control us. **While we are being robbed of our individual rights and our freedoms, we are spellbound.**

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Hands At The Capitol

In the Hall of Flags

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Event Purpose: For nearly 50 years, we gathered AROUND the capitol to memorialize the January 22, 1973, Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision. Under Roe v. Wade, the federal government ruled the land on abortion policy. The only thing that individual states could do was to work AROUND the supreme court decision. More than $63M innocent, voiceless, unborn babies were killed since the Roe v. Wade decision.

On June 24, 2022, the Supreme Court reversed the Roe V. Wade decision, via Dobbs v. Jackson, declaring that abortion was not constitutional. Thus, abortion policy was rightfully returned to the individual states to decide. Now, abortion laws are determined **AT** the State Capitol – under the dome of the People's House. This means the people of Maine have a voice. Now, we are calling on the people of Maine to bring their voice to the Capitol on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023, to show your support for LIFE in Maine. The legislature needs to hear your voice!

Where Details: Directions to the State House Capitol are HERE.
Free Parking is available at the State Office Building Parking Garage.
Entering the State House – there are two options:

1. Walk up the hill outside to the left of the Cross Building and enter through the glass doors.
2. Enter the Cross Building through the side door facing the street (there is a ramp). Go through the hallway, turn left at the hallway intersection, and follow the signs to the statehouse through the tunnel that leads to the State House.

Security Screening (similar to the airport) – put bags through the scanner; walk through the metal detector.
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Schedule for the Day
(Event Details)

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9:00AM – 1:00PM	**Hall of Flags – Pledge to be a "Friend for Life"** Resources and handouts available for you to learn more and participate in supporting the Pro-Life effort.
10:15AM – 10:40AM	Optional - Join the Knights of Columbus outside the Capitol along Capitol and State Street for a public display that you support Life. Key messaging: Make Abortion Unthinkable; Women Deserve Better. Contact Andy Levesque – 207-523-0299, for more information.
10:55 AM	Gather on the steps in the Hall of Flags. Show your support for Life in Maine and the speakers addressing the Press Conference.
11:00AM – 11:30AM	Press Conference with Speakers
11:30AM – 12:30PM	Workshops – TBD

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Options (Pregnancy, Sexual, and Family Resource Center)
Michael Younus, Executive Director
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Email: via online website form Web: www.optionsforwomen.org

FORT KENT

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook (Fort Kent)
Lisa Chouinard, Center Director
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Hope House's Family Support Center / Women's Free Health Clinic
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 28, 2023

The Maine Life Coalition Anticipates Hundreds of Mainers to Come to Augusta to Oppose Extreme Abortion Bills

For the second time this legislative session, hundreds of Mainers will come to the State House for public hearings in Judiciary and Health Coverage Insurance Financial Services on Monday, May 1st.

The most egregious of the bills is LD 1619. Governor Janet Mills used the tragic ordeal of a Maine family to introduce LD 1619, the so-called "An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws" misnamed because its sole design is to promote unlimited abortion.

"Pandering to the abortion lobby by tying a tragic medical diagnosis and the abortion of baby Cameron to push unlimited abortion is a new low," said Karen Vachon of Maine Right to Life. **"Instead of abortion, mothers and fathers in circumstances involving a fatal diagnosis for their unborn child should be given options such a perinatal hospice and grief counseling."**
Continued Karen, **"No child with a disability or fatal condition deserves to die a horrible and painful death because they have a disability or will die at a future time."**

Currently, there are no laws in Maine preventing abortions after viability. The only limitation is that abortions done after 20 weeks are most often done by abortionists who specialize in taking the life of an unborn child after viability. These abortionists are found only in a handful of states, and it is common for those seeking a late-term abortion to travel out of state.

LD 1619 creates a subjective standard empowering the abortionist to justify any abortion after viability. Governor Mills' bill removes current language that allows abortion for a woman's life or health and replaces it with language that would allow abortions in the second and third trimesters because of an abortionist's opinion.

The language would also remove language that penalized a non-licensed person from performing or aiding in an abortion. This would allow any individual without proper training to either perform a dangerous procedure or obtain dangerous narcotics. This would encourage the Kermit Gosnells of the world to specifically come to Maine since there are no penalties and only protection for abortionists.

"This bill ignores what is in the best interest of the life and health of the mother and her unborn child and only seeks to expand the abortion industry's stake hold in Maine by allowing abortions for any reason up until birth with no punishment for those who harm women and their babies," said Suzanne Lafreniere of the Catholic Diocese of Maine.

The Maine Life Coalition will hold a press conference at 11 AM on Monday, May 1st in the Hall of Flags at the Maine Statehouse. Speakers will include Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd Godparent Home; Rep Laurel Libby, Founder of Speak Up For LIFE; Dr. Thom Page, OB-GYN; and Hon. Heather Sirocki, Spokesperson for Maine Right to Life.

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Governor Introduces Bill That Would Allow Unlimited Abortions and Make Maine a Safe Haven for the Abortion Industry

Yesterday, Governor Janet Mills used the tragic ordeal of a Maine family to introduce LD 1619, the so-called "An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws" misnamed because its sole design is to promote unlimited abortion.

"Pandering to the abortion lobby by tying a tragic medical diagnosis and abortion of an unborn baby to push unlimited abortion is a new low," said Karen Vachon of Maine Right to Life. **"Instead of abortion, mothers and fathers in circumstances involving a fatal diagnosis for their unborn child should be given options such a perinatal hospice and grief counseling."**

Continued Vachon **"No child with a disability or fatal condition deserves to die a horrible and painful death because they have a disability or will die at a future time."**

Currently, there are no laws in Maine preventing abortions after viability. The only limitation is that abortions done after 20 weeks are most often done by abortionists who specialize in taking the life of an unborn child after viability. These abortionists are found only in a handful of states, and it is common for those seeking a late-term abortion to travel out of state.

LD 1619 creates a subjective standard empowering the abortionist to justify any abortion after viability. Governor Mills' bill removes current language that allows abortion for a woman's life or health and replaces it with language that would allow abortions in the second and third trimesters because of an abortionist's opinion.

The language would also remove language that penalized a non-licensed person from performing or aiding in an abortion. This would allow any individual without proper training to either perform a dangerous procedure or obtain dangerous narcotics. This would encourage the Kermit Gosnells of the world to specifically come to Maine since there are no penalties and only protection for abortionists.

"This bill ignores what is in the best interest of the life and health of the mother and her unborn child and only seeks to expand the abortion industry's stake hold in Maine by allowing abortions for any reason up until birth with no punishment for those who harm women and their babies," said Vachon

Maine is the oldest state in the country with a median age of 45. Maine is one of only four states that has more death/year than births. Maine aborts 5.2 babies each day. We need policy that supports women, promotes motherhood, and welcomes and promotes family life and family values.

"Abortion on demand throughout pregnancy puts a moral stain on Maine, says Vachon**.. Maine deserves better. Women of Maine deserve better. This is not Maine – the way life should be".**

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Welcome – Friends for Life. There is no greater state motto than *Maine – the way life should be*. There is no better time than now for authentic Mainers to step up, speak up, and live the values we cherish in this great state of Maine. Please join us.

Maine is the oldest state in the nation, with a median age of 45. Maine is one of four states that has more deaths/year than births. Maine aborts just over five babies a day. Maine, of all states, should be promoting a culture of life. Our future depends on it.

Incredulously our Governor, made a campaign promise that she wouldn't expand abortion. She lied. She wants unfettered access to abortion throughout the entire pregnancy – no exceptions, no restrictions, as fellow lawmakers introduce legislation to have abortion written into Maine's constitution. Our Governor and lawmakers were bought by Planned Parenthood and the abortion lobby (see Page 22). Maine cannot afford to have out-of-state special interests control our politicians. Maine deserves better.

Who we vote for matters. Elections have consequences. This administration is killing Maine people, and Maine's future. The pro-abortion bills introduced are not just killing innocent, voiceless, unborn babies, they are dangerous for women (see pg. 33). Women deserve better. Get to know your lawmakers on pages 64-79. Let them know how you feel.

Abortion policy was rightly returned to the individual states to decide in the Supreme Court Dobbs v. Jackson decision. There is a reason that abortion is not written into the US Constitution. The Founding Fathers wanted life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness not for some, but for all. Abortion discriminates. We need all hands on deck to make sure abortion is never written into the Maine Constitution – see Page 21.

We, the people, have the power. Imagine a Maine that spent time and resources promoting life and family rather than championing death and destruction at taxpayer expense. Imagine a Maine where abortion is unthinkable. Neighbors helping neighbors, communities that care, build life-long - *friend for life* relationships to carry each of us through the thick and thin with love and compassion. This is what life is all about – meet some of the people who promote these values every day on pages 42-51.

This directory addresses matters of life or death to our state. Your voice, your vote, your prayers, and your participation are needed now! Together we can make abortion unthinkable. We welcome all who love and cherish life to join us and get involved. Join us today.

Karen A. Vachon

Karen Vachon
Executive Director

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MEET OUR COVER BABY: EMMA MARTIN.

Daughter of State Rep. Katrina Smith

District 62, China, Palermo, Somerville, Windsor

"My doctor told me to abort my daughter because he "thought" she wouldn't be viable.... He was wrong. Meet Emma. She is 22 and got married in May.

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State Rep. Katrina Smith

This freshman Maine lawmaker campaigned on this Pro-Life message asking voters to vote for her And telling voters why she was Pro-Life. She won!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR COURAGEOUS TRUTH TELLERS!

TELL US WHY YOU ARE PRO-LIFE.
TOGETHER, LET'S BUILD AN ARMY OF TRUTH TELLERS.

MAINE RIGHT TO LIFE

WHO WE ARE:

Maine Right to Life Committee is a state affiliate of National Right to Life Committee. We are the oldest statewide non-profit 501-C3 corporation registered to do pro-life advocacy. MRLC was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human being. We seek to uphold the inviolable sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, doctor assisted suicide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives.

We are Pro -Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women. This resource guide seeks to inform, educate, and motivate all walks of life to defend life from womb to tomb. Our vision is that abortion will become unthinkable.

Wherever you are in your life – long-time Pro-Life supporter or new to the Pro-Life movement, experiencing an unplanned pregnancy or struggling with post abortion grief –we hope you find love, support inspiration and motivation to cherish and promote life from womb to tomb.

Life is a journey for which you are never alone. We all know the value of loving, compassionate, friendships – and there is nothing better than knowing you have or you are a good friend for life. We hope you will become a MRLC Friend For Life – by becoming an annual member.

This resource guide is available in hard copy and electronic copy with hyperlinks to do a deeper dive on the topics.

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO:

Today, a women's right to abortion is referred to as "women's reproductive healthcare". Access to an abortion is considered an "essential service". American abortion policy is among the most permissive in the word. And Maine's abortion policy is among the most permissive in the country. The US is one of only seven countries that allows abortion after 20 week's gestation for any reason, no questions asked.

Thankfully, the overturning of Roe-v. wade has permitted individual states to have their own abortion laws – and many states since the Supreme Court Dobbs ruling have implemented more restrictions on abortion. Maine is not one of these states. In fact, the current administration seeks to expand abortion access in Maine. No matter how you feel about this, your tax dollars fund and promote this.

We, the people of Maine, have the power to change Maine's laws. If you love life, we encourage you to get involved. Consider running for public office. Get involved in your faith community. Join /start a Pro-Life chapter. Volunteer/support a Pregnancy Resource Center. America faced the atrocities of slavery and changed. Our hope is America will face the atrocities of abortion and change. Abortion should be unthinkable. It can be done by taking action, healing those afflicted, building an army of truth tellers, and changing laws.

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WHAT'S INSIDE...

Education is the keystone of Maine Right to Life Committee's (MRLC) programs. MRLC educates and informs the public about abortion, infanticide and euthanasia in a variety of ways.

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ANNUAL EVENTS

Hands At the Capitol - April

Maine's largest Pro-Life Event following the over-turning of Roe v. Wade. Held in the Hall of Flags at the Maine State Capitol, Augusta, ME.

The Capitol is bustling with Pro-Life supporters. Families, singles, students, seniors are welcome to join us along with respect life organizations from across Maine including our life-saving Pregnancy Resource Centers, Hospice, Knights of Columbus, Maine's Pro-Life coalition, and others.

Please come and bring your voice to Augusta! This even provides a wonderful opportunity to meet your local legislators, to learn about the bills in Augusta that the Pro-Life movement supports and opposes, and to learn ways that you can take action. We hope to see you there!

Mother's Day Celebration – May

This May project recognizes the sacrifices of motherhood by providing Mother's Day cards to deserving Mom's in your parish, organization or club. In addition to thanking mom's for their gift of life, your participation in this program also helps us promote a culture of life here in Maine.

Life Appreciation Day at the Capitol – June

This day celebrates the Dobbs Supreme Court Decision which overturned Roe v. Wade and returned abortion policy back to the states. This outdoor event held between the State Capitol and the Cross Building in Augusta recognizes Pro-Life leaders and celebrates Pro-Life legislators efforts; while also memorializing lives lost to abortion in Maine with the ringing of the Capitol bell.

Friends for Life Open House - October

Maine's pro-life Pregnancy Resource/Adoption Centers have an open-house on this day, while churches throughout the month of October have a support drive.

Friends for Life Workshops - TBD

A great way to learn about the movement and see how you can get involved and make a difference .

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ADOPTION SOLUTIONS of MAINE

THE BASICS

A compilation of recent and noteworthy information on the abortion issue.

Diary of an Unborn Baby

Day 1 Fertilization: all human chromosomes are present, and a unique life begins.

Day 6 The embryo begins implanting in the uterus.

Day 22 The heart begins to beat with the child's own blood, often with a different blood type than the mother's.

Week 5 Eyes, legs, and hands begin to develop.

Week 6 Brain waves are detectable[1]. The mouth and lips are present, and fingers are forming[2].

Week 7 Eyelids and toes form. The baby now has a distinct nose and is kicking and swimming[3].

Week 8 Every organ is in place[4]; bones[5], fingerprints[2] begin to form.

Weeks 9 & 10 Teeth begin to form, fingernails develop[5]; baby can turn head[5] and frown[2].

Week 11 Baby can grasp object placed in hand[3].

Week 17 Baby can have dream (REM) sleep[7].

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MORE THAN NUMBERS

There have been **more than 64 million abortions** in the U.S. since 1973.

There were over **930,000 abortions** in 2020. That's over **2,400 abortions per day, 123 per hour, 1 every 34 seconds.**

Of all pregnancies that resulted in either live birth or abortion in 2020, **20.6% resulted in abortion.**

The War On The Unborn

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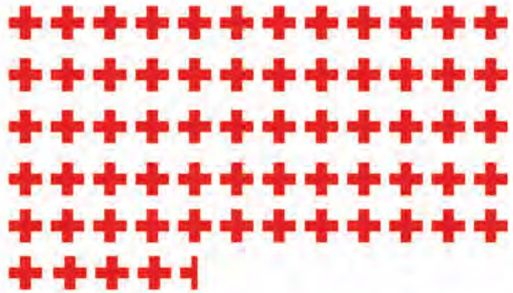
Abortions in the U.S. Since 1973:



American Casualties from every war since 1775:

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Reported Annual Abortions

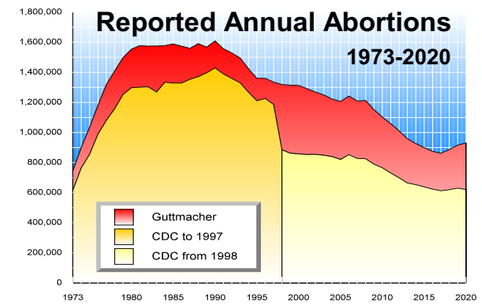
	Guttmacher	CDC
1973	744,610	615,831
1974	898,570	763,476
1975	1,034,170	854,853
1976	1,179,300	988,267
1977	1,316,700	1,079,430
1978	1,409,600	1,157,776
1979	1,497,670	1,251,921
1980	1,553,890	1,297,606
1981	1,577,340	1,300,760
1982	1,573,920	1,303,980
1983	1,575,000	1,268,987
1984	1,577,180	1,333,521
1985	1,588,550	1,328,570
1986	1,574,000	1,328,112
1987	1,559,110	1,353,671
1988	1,590,750	1,371,285
1989	1,566,900	1,396,658
1990	1,608,600	1,429,247
1991	1,556,510	1,388,937
1992	1,528,930	1,359,146
1993	1,495,000	1,330,414
1994	1,423,000	1,267,415
1995	1,359,400	1,210,883
1996	1,360,160	1,225,937
1997	1,335,000	1,186,039
1998	1,319,000	884,273*
1999	1,314,800	861,789*
2000	1,312,990	857,475*
2001	1,291,000	853,485*
2002	1,269,000	854,122*
2003	1,250,000	848,163*
2004	1,222,100	839,226*
2005	1,206,200	820,151*
2006	1,242,200	852,385*
2007	1,209,640	827,609*
2008	1,212,350	825,564*
2009	1,151,600	789,217*
2010	1,102,670	765,651*
2011	1,058,490	730,322*
2012	1,011,000	699,202*
2013	958,700	664,435*
2014	926,190	652,639*
2015	899,500	638,169*
2016	874,100	623,471*
2017	862,320	612,719*
2018	885,800	619,591*
2019	916,640	629,898*
2020	930,160	620,327*
2021	930,160 §	
2022	900,414 §	

*Excludes NH, CA and often at least one other state.

§ NRLC projection for calculation

ABORTION STATISTICS

United States Data and Trends



There are two basic sources on abortion data in the U.S.:

- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) publishes yearly, but relies on voluntary reports from state health departments (and New York City, Washington, D.C.). It has been missing data from California, New Hampshire, and at least one other state since 1998.
- The Guttmacher Institute (GI) contacts abortion clinics directly for data but does not always survey every year.
- Because it surveys clinics directly and includes data from all fifty states, most re-searchers believe Guttmacher's numbers to be more reliable, though Guttmacher still believes it may miss some abortions.

While both Guttmacher and the CDC show big drops over the last 30 years, recent years show increases.

- Total abortions dropped 29.8% from 1998 to 2020 with the CDC, and fell 42.2% from 1990 to 2020 with GI.
- The **abortion rate** for 2020 for GI was 14.4 abortions for every 1,000 women of re-productive age (15-44), less than half that of the high of 29.3 in 1981. While up since 2017 (13.5), it is still lower than when abortion was legalized in the U.S. in 1973 (16.3).
- GI says there were 20.6 abortions for every 100 pregnancies ending in live birth or abortion in 2020, up from 18.3 in 2016, the lowest **abortion ratio** since 1972.
- GI says that abortion "providers" rose slightly to 1,603 in 2020 from 1,587 in 2017. The high was 2,918 in 1982.
- According to the GI, more than half (53%) of abortions were done with chemical abortifacients like mifepristone in 2020. It had been just 16.4% as recently as 2008.
- In June 2022, *Dobbs* overturned *Roe*, activating "trigger laws" in some states offering the unborn full protection or otherwise limiting abortion. Many clinics closed, but some women went to other states or ordered abortion pills online.

The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade*

64,443,118

Total abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2020, with 3% added for GI estimated possible 3-5% undercount for 1973-2014. Additional 12,000 per year for 2015-2017 for abortions from "providers" GI says it may have missed in 2015-2017 counts.

2022 estimate projects drops from states with trigger laws since *Dobbs*. 01/23

This could mean the end of my hopes and dreams.

Your life from now on will be changed, whether you have the baby or have the abortion. But having the child doesn't mean your life is over or that your dreams are lost forever.

Many women make childless couples happy by allowing their babies to be adopted (you can have a lot of say in who raises your baby and how much contact you'll have). Other women get help from friends, parents, or the father to watch the child while they work or go to school. Some women decide put their education or careers on hold for the first few years of the baby's life. When they return, their maturity and newfound sense of responsibility often make them good students and valuable contributors to the work force.

reasons *for* ABORTION

(...and a few responses)

It's just a blob of tissue.

The unborn child's heart starts beating at three weeks, before many women even realize they're pregnant. Limbs then appear within about a week and the baby's head and face begin to take shape. Brain waves have been measured as early as just six weeks from conception. Quite an amazing first few weeks for such a little person!

Babies begin to grow and develop more rapidly than many people think. It's important to remember, however, that *no matter what a child looks like or what his or her stage of development, he or she is a human being simply looking like and doing what all of us did at that age.*

It's my body, my choice!

Truthfully, while the child lives and grows inside the mother's body for about 9 months, he or she is a distinct individual with his or her own unique abilities and experiences. The child's blood is often a different blood type and never mixes with the mother's. He or she has his or her own unique genetic identity and has innate abilities and talents the mother may not have.

A baby will ruin my relationship

While an unexpected pregnancy can put a strain on any relationship, abortion only makes things worse. Couples often break up after an abortion, usually within months. Those partners who threaten to leave unless a woman has an abortion are likely to leave anyway. A young man who is unwilling to face up to his responsibility as a father is not likely to be a good life companion.

I can't face my parents.

Initially, telling your parents may be difficult. But keep in mind that these are the baby's grandparents, and this is a role they adapt to quite quickly. There are people who can help mediate between you and your parents if you think this might be a problem. In the end, your parents will probably turn out to be your greatest supporters

The baby's better off.

This rationalization assumes a child's destiny is determined by his or her economic, familial, or social circumstances. Countless examples of scientists, artists, political leaders and business people coming from poverty or broken homes show neither environment nor biology is destiny. Individual effort has a great deal to do with success, yet many children never get the chance to show what they can do. And quite frankly, someone else should not be deciding whether or not your life is worth living before you've even had a chance to live it.

I can't afford a child or care for one right now.

A lot of people, even couples who have been married for years, find the prospect of raising and caring for a child intimidating. Yet, the baby comes, and somehow the bills get paid, the parental instincts kick in, and the child thrives. Many single mothers find free help and support from local pregnancy care centers. If those scenarios are absolutely unrealistic, however, there are plenty of families, longing to adopt, who have the maturity, love and resources needed to raise the child. Many will even cover a woman's medical expenses.

People will look down on me for being pregnant.

While there may be some who do, a young woman who bravely and positively bears and raises her child will gain a lot of respect and support.

There are already too many mouths to feed.

There are more than enough resources to feed, clothe and shelter everyone and will be for years to come. History has shown shortages to be a function of political unrest and government mismanagement, not of population or environmental conditions. Innovative minds are constantly finding more ways to increase food yields and improve living conditions. As many Western countries now face the danger of declining populations, there is fear not only that innovators will not be born, but that there will be insufficient workers to run businesses or fund government programs.

Abortion involves a basic conflict between the rights of the mother and the child. Something has to give.

What is typically in conflict are not the lives of mother and child, but the mother's assertion of her rights to an education, to a career, to a family, to an independent life against the basic right to life of the innocent child. Yet all these can be achieved without the death of the child.

To continue to demand abortion, then, is not really to assert such rights, but to assert a right to avoid even minimal responsibility and to deny the reality of the living unborn child in order to achieve one's personal goals. No human being has a right to do this at the expense of another's life.

Women are going to have abortions anyway, so at least make them legal and safe.

The risk of death from abortion was greatly reduced in the 1940s and 1950s, before abortion was ever legalized, by the development of antibiotics and modern surgical procedures. Still, over 350 women have died from *legal* abortion in the U.S. since it was legalized in 1973. The biggest thing legalization has done is to vastly increase the number of abortions and the number of unborn children killed.

arguments *made for* ABORTION

(... and some answers)

PC BUZZ WORDS

what they mean for the unborn and their mothers

Justice/Rights: While there are many things that society can and should do to ensure that women are never denied basic rights or opportunities on account of their sex or reproductive status, to claim that these rights require the death of the innocent is to undermine the very foundations of justice itself.

Freedom/Choice: We believe in freedom, but absolute freedom, to do whatever one wishes without limits, cannot exist. If people are "free to choose" to harm or kill one another for any reason whatsoever, all live in fear, not freedom.

Equality: Women have fought long and hard to be recognized as equals, yet a failure to stand up for the rights of their tiniest sisters makes transitory political power, rather than principle, the determining factor in who counts.

Abortion is better than teen motherhood.

However daunting the challenges of motherhood for the unmarried teen, abortion only makes things worse, wounding an entire generation.

The fate of feminism is tied to the "freedom to choose"

Feminism's early founders saw the inherent contradiction involved in asserting the basic human rights of women while denying those same basic rights to their children. Susan B. Anthony called abortion "child murder." Elizabeth Cady Stanton classified it as a form of "infanticide," saying, "When we consider that woman are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we should treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit." Alice Paul, the founder of NOW, the National Organization of Women, said "abortion is the ultimate exploitation of women."

The right to life movement consistently maintains that basic human rights do not depend on extrinsic factors such as race, age, wealth, intelligence, physical health or strength, or gender, but only on one's membership in the human race.

Abortion is a religious matter between a woman and her God.

While abortion is a serious matter that cannot help but involve a person's most profound beliefs and commitments, one need not be religious to see that society as a whole has something at stake when one human being claims the right to kill another or to decide who is worthy of life.

You can read the stories of women who talk about their abortion decisions at **standupgirl.com**. *If you or anyone you know is facing an unplanned pregnancy, call* **1 (800) 395-HELP** *or visit the website* **optionline.org** *to find help in your area.*

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CHEMICAL ABORTION –
A High Profit Procedure That Puts Women At Risk

There is a notion that life's challenges can easily be solved by conveniently popping a few pills. Abortion is no exception. Chemical abortion pills, terminates a pregnancy up to 70 days gestation (measured in number of days since a woman's last menstrual period) As of 2020, 53% of all abortions performed in the US are chemical. In Maine, as of 2021, 60% of reported abortions are chemical. Women should beware of the risks.

The abortion pill is known as RU-486. The drug is called Mifepristone, and has been around since the 1980's in Europe, and was approved for sale in the US in **September, 2000**,. Up until 2016, doctors who prescribed chemical abortion, took responsibility for the patient's case and their nurses, assistants, or even receptionists handled the counseling, screening and delivery of the pills.

As of June 30, 2022, the FDA cites **28 reported deaths** and thousands of injures. Despite the deaths and injuries associated with chemical abortions, restrictions and regulations are being relaxed.

In early January, 2023, the Food and Drug administration (FDA) updated labeling of mifepristone (generic for Mifeprx) to allow pharmacies to dispense the drug. In issuing the new regulations, the FDA formalized the 2021 decision to permanently drop the in-person requirement for the distribution of the abortion pill. Thus opening the door to telehealth abortion and mail-order abortion pills. This move is not in the interest of women's safety.

In-person questioning and examination are far superior to a webcam conversation or an on-line questionnaire, and a professional ultrasound, though never required, provides the highest level of safety for women. The in-person requirement can help the prescriber rule out:

1. **Ectopic pregnancy** are in advance of having a chemical abortion. Undetected ectopic pregnancies are life threatening.
2. Unidentified **Rh negative** mother who is not administered RhoGAM prior to a chemical abortion is subject to permanent infertility.
3. Properly ascertain the gestational age.

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Increased access to abortion pills at the pharmacy and the opening up of mail order means women are left on their own to identify complications and protect their safety. Women need to know the **risks and know the side effects**:

- Pain, possibly severe
- Heavy and/or prolonged bleeding for multiple weeks
- Fever, infection
- Incomplete abortion (which will require surgical follow-up)
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
- Headache, and/or feeling dizzy
- Hot flashes
- Hemorrhage, blood clots

Women who experience regret after taking an abortion pill, need to also know that a Chemical Abortion can be reversed if you experience remorse after taking a chemical abortion pill. Timing is everything – don't wait. **Call 1-877-558-0333**

While the FDA has abdicated its responsibility to protect women's health, we have not. National Right to Life has launched an **Action Alert** to contact CVS, Walgreens, and Rite Aid – we encourage you to participate by both contacting the corporate offices as well as your local pharmacy.

Also, for the protection of Mainer's, Rep. Reagan Paul, (R) – Winterport, has introduced a bill to make telehealth chemical abortions illegal in Maine. She could use your help in getting this bill passed. Please see PG. 33 to take action!

Additional Risks

for Home Use of Pills Prescribed by Telemedicine, Delivered by Mail

Inadequate Screening

While women visiting a clinic can have a physical examination and an ultrasound, health care providers doing only an online or telephone interview rely on a woman giving them accurate, honest answers to questions about her last menstrual period, symptoms of ectopic pregnancy, allergies or other disqualifying conditions. If a woman is unaware of these contraindications, mistakes spotting for her last menstrual period, or does not yet recognize signs of ectopic pregnancy, these important factors may be missed and the abortion pills either may not work or may prove dangerous for her.[1]

Testing for Rh Factor

Failure to identify and treat Rh factor could mean the loss of future pregnancies.[2]

Higher Failure, Complication Rates

Less careful, less scientific screening will mean more women past the FDA recommended cutoff date of ten weeks, and thus a greater the likelihood of complications or a failed or incomplete abortion.[3]

Less Assurance of Access to Emergency Care

Women doing screening by telemedicine and having pills shipped to remote locations may not necessarily have ready access to specialized surgical care from their prescriber or a nearby emergency care facility if they suffer sudden serious bleeding episodes or a ruptured ectopic pregnancy.[4]

Quality of Internet Medication

Women buying mifepristone and misoprostol from a foreign based internet pharmacy have no real assurance of product purity, dose, or efficacy and often receive little or no instructions on appropriate use.[5]

Sale to Dishonest, Deceptive Buyers

Online, telemedical, or telephonic screening and prescription allows those ordering to misrepresent their intentions or identities, potentially allowing these to be resold or given unknowingly to underage teens, unwilling or unscreened women with later pregnancies or conditions for whom these would not work or might prove dangerous.[6]

Difficulty knowing when you're done.

Without a professional exam, it is possible a women might bleed and cramp and think her abortion is completed, yet be mistaken.[7]

MIFEPRISTONE SAFETY & EFFICACY

Quick Facts about the Abortion Pill

Drug-induced abortions are painful and bloody.
These pills work by shutting down the child's life support system, initiating bleeding, and then stimulating powerful, painful contractions to expel the child and other contents from the uterus. Pain and bleeding are unavoidable parts of the process.[8]

Women lose more blood from a chemical than a surgical abortion.[9]

Chemical abortions take longer to complete than surgical ones.
Not counting recovery time, surgical abortions may take maybe 10 minutes to complete, so that a woman can be in and out of a clinic in a couple of hours.[10] Chemical abortions involve multiple drugs taken over a number of days and may take days or weeks to be fully completed.[11]

"Medication" abortions have a significant failure rate.
The FDA warns these drugs fail to deliver a complete abortion 2-7% of the time.[12]

The risk of failure and complications increases with gestational age.
The FDA originally limited use of mifepristone to women no more than 49 days after their last menstrual period (LMP) because of reduced efficacy and increased complications after that point.[13] Years of field experience have confirmed this.[14]

Women see their aborted children's bodies.
Identification of the embryo or fetus is one of the ways a woman is able to confirm the abortion pill has done its job, but it can also prove traumatic when women report seeing their child's eyes, fists, or other body parts.[15]

There have been at least 26 deaths and thousands of injuries among American miferpistone patients.
The FDA reports that more than two dozen mifepristone patients in the U.S. have died after taking mifepristone and that thousands of others have suffered from complications such as hemorrhages, infections, and the rupture of previously undiscovered ectopic pregnancies, many requiring hospitalization and surgery.[16]

The warning signs of ectopic pregnancy are disturbingly similar to chemical abortion side effects.
Because women having drug-induced abortions normally face considerable abdominal pain and bleeding, patients and even doctors who have not seen an ultrasound have missed these danger signs of a rupturing ectopic pregnancy.[17]

Several mifepristone users came down with serious bacterial infections.
A number of women taking mifepristone died after contracting *Clostridium sordellii*, an anaerobic bacteria that thrives in oxygen poor environments where there may be an open wound.[18]

Bleeding can lead to life-threatening hemorrhage.
Every woman going through a chemical abortion does a considerable amount of bleeding, but when this bleeding is heavy and does not stop, she can be in serious danger if she does not get surgical treatment.[19]

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https://www.nrlc.org/uploads/factsheets/RUSafetyEfficacyFS.pdf

Abortion Pill Reversal

To date, over 4,000 babies have been saved by the abortion pill reversal protocol.

THE ABORTION PILL

Nationwide chemical abortions account for more than half of all abortions.

The most common chemical (medication) abortion method involves a two-step drug process. The first abortifacient drug (mifepristone or RU-486) is given at the clinic and weakens or kills the baby.

The second drug, misoprostol, is taken 24-48 hours later, usually at home, to expel the baby and complete the abortion.

Research indicates that the first drug, mifepristone, alone is **not always effective in ending a life. A woman may still have a viable pregnancy after taking the first abortifacient drug, mifepristone.**

THE REVERSAL PROCESS

The American Association of Pro-life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a 2,500 member OB-GYN medical group, supports offering the Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) protocol to women who regret initiating the abortion pill process, after appropriate informed consent.

The hearts of some women may change during the 24-48 hour period after taking the first drug, mifepristone. And they may profoundly regret taking the first abortion pill. So often, women are unaware of the medical protocol which may provide them an opportunity to reverse their decision and save their child.

If a woman has taken the first drug, mifepristone, but has not yet taken the second drug, misoprostol, and has questions regarding the health of her child or is questioning her decision to terminate her pregnancy, she should consult a physician immediately for information about the potential of reversing the effects of the abortion pill, or **call the Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline: 877-558-0333**.

Because of the tested Abortion Pill Reversal protocol developed by Drs. George Delgado and Matt Harrison, abortion minded women now have the choice of potentially reversing the effects of the abortion pill mifepristone by receiving multiple doses of the natural hormone progesterone.

Many women that have undergone the reversal process with the progesterone have been able to deliver healthy babies.

To date over 4,000 babies have been born following use of the Abortion Pill Reversal protocol. Currently, there are over 351 doctors and 41 pregnancy medical centers who are offering the APR protocol.

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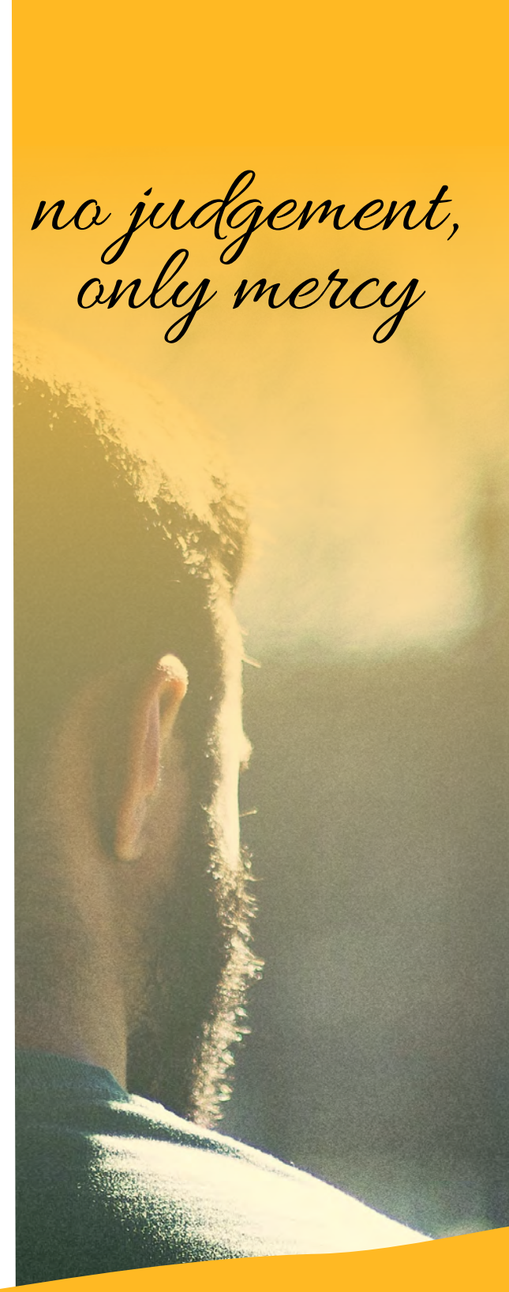

DO YOU REGRET YOUR ABORTION OR ARE STRUGGLING WITH ABORTION'S IMPACT IN YOUR FAMILY AND WANT HELP?

Please leave a confidential message for the Project Rachel Team:

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ERA ratification – What it is, and what it isn't...

So-called "Equal Rights Amendments" have been proposed for insertion into both the U.S. Constitution and the Maine Constitution. Each pose threats to pro-life laws and policies.

The proposed federal Equal Rights Amendment

ERA may sound like it's all about protecting women's rights. Don't be fooled! Women's rights are already protected under the 14th Amendment. Moreover, there is no provision of the current Constitution (as amended) that does not apply equally to both men and women.

ERA is better described as
Everything Related to Abortion.

The Supreme Court's 2022 Dobbs ruling gave control of abortion policy back to legislative bodies. But the federal ERA could change that. ERA is the legal weapon to invalidate all state and federal limitations on abortion and have it written into the US Constitution. It could be a powerful replacement for Roe v. Wade.

Congress submitted the proposed federal ERA to the states in 1972, but it fell short of the required number of state ratifications, and expired on March 22, 1979. However, there is now a push in Congress for adoption of a joint resolution that proponents say would make the ERA part of federal Constitution anyway.

The ERA-revival resolution is S.J. Res. 4. It is expected that all Senate Democrats will support it, but as of March 5, 2023, only one Republican Senator has co-sponsored it—Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska). Senator Susan Collins supported somewhat similar legislation in previous congresses, but she has not yet put her name on the latest version, which differs in some respects from earlier versions. She should be strongly encouraged to oppose this unconstitutional measure, which if it actually succeeded in its purpose, could allow legal attacks on pro-life religious bodies and employers with religious convictions about abortion, and of course on prolife laws of any kind—for example, limitations on late abortions and on government funding of abortion.

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The proposed federal Equal Rights Amendment

Maine lawmaker Lois Reckitt – D, South Portland, has introduce LD 1412, a Resolution Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Establishing That All Maine Residents Have Equal Rights Under The Law. If this resolution receives a two-third's vote in the Maine House and the Maine Senate, ERA will be a referendum question on the November ballot.

Maine Right To Life supports equal political rights, where both male and female citizens shall enjoy equally all civil, political, and religious privileges. We also support an abortion neutralization amendment (ANA), which Pro-Life advocates have proposed in other states. The proposed amendment is a "rule of construction" that governs the interpretation only of the ERA itself. The amendment states: **"Nothing in this Article [the ERA] shall be construed to grant, secure, or deny any right relating to abortion or the funding thereof."**
The ANA is not an "anti-abortion amendment." It is truly neutral. It would not allow anyone to employ the ERA to challenge, for example, a state agency policy promoting sex-selection abortions, because it says that the ERA neither grants nor denies any rights "relating to abortion."

Rep. Reckitt has proposed this legislation every term since she has served in office. She has not been receptive to the ANA amendment thus far. Maine Right to Life believes an ANA amendment is a fair compromise to this proposal.

Maine cannot afford to have abortion written into its constitution. Please consider speaking out against this resolution. See page 30 to see what you can do to get involved.

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THE HYDE AMENDMENT...

DESIGNED TO REDUCE TAXPAYER FUNDED ABORTION.

Nearly three quarters of Americans object to the taxpayer funding of abortion. According to a recent **Knights of Columbus/Marist Poll**, 81% of Americans believe that laws can and should protect the mother and her unborn child. Laws matter! In 1970, Title X of the Public Health Service Act established the National Family Planning Program within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS). The Title X program is dedicated solely to the provision of family planning; it is designed to protect against funding abortion, as a method of family planning.

After the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision, many federal programs, including Medicaid, started paying for elective abortions. Congress never voted to authorize abortion funding under these programs. Administrators and courts, however, interpreted the language as authorizing and requiring the payment of medical services, including abortion.

In the interest of protecting potential life, Congress wanted to promote childbirth, as the more attractive alternative over abortion. The distinction between necessary medical services and abortion needed to be clear. Medical procedures are in the interest of saving human life; abortion terminates a human life. There is a difference!

By 1976, the federal Medicaid program was paying for 300,000 abortions per year, and the numbers were escalating rapidly. Congress responded by attaching a "limitation amendment" to the annual appropriations bill for health and human services. Known as the Hyde Amendment, it prohibits the federal reimbursement for abortion, except in cases of rape, incest and the life of the mother. This is a "rider" to the annual appropriations bill, which expires, every year, on September 30th. Every year, since the initial passage, the Hyde Amendment, has received bi-partisan support. It is estimated that the Hyde Amendment has saved 2.5 Million lives.

No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act – is being sponsored in Congress by Rep. Chris Smith, R – New Jersey. This bill would make the long-standing Hyde Amendment permanent. The bill also includes provisions to prohibit federal funding of abortion, as well as funding for any insurance plan, that includes elective abortion. Forty-Six Senators support the measure - all Senate Republicans except for Senator Susan Collins – R, Maine and Senator Lisa Murkowski – R, Alaska.

Maine is the oldest state in the nation, with a median age of 45. We are one of only four states that has more deaths/year than births. We abort more than 5 unborn babies per day. As a state, we should be promoting childbirth rather than encouraging abortion, especially when it is funded by taxpayers. Abortion should never be considered a form of birth control. Maine deserves better.

Rep. Kathy Javner, R – Chester is sponsoring **LD 494**: An Act to Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment, Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services. Please consider contacting your State Representative and Senator and tell them Maine deserves better. Please limit the taxpayer funding of abortion.

September 30, 1976, **Representative Henry Hyde (R-IL)** proposed an amendment to the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriations Act of 1977 prohibiting funds appropriated through the bill from being "used to perform abortions except where the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term."

Resolutions, Constitutional Amendments – Voters Beware!

Abortion advocates will do anything and everything to advance unlimited access to abortion, anytime, and for any reason up until birth. If they can't get what they want through the legislature, they will take it directly to the voters by way of a referendum question on the ballot.

Voters should ask themselves: Do you really want to be a lawmaker for a day? We're familiar with laws that have been passed by lawmakers who were told to vote on an issue before reading what is actually in the bill. Does this bother you?

When voters are asked to vote on referendum, they go to the ballot box and become a lawmaker for the day. Have they read the bill completely? Do they understand what they are voting on? Or are they only listening to what the media tells them, or what they read on the glossy mailers that come to them through the mail?

Laws get changed by legislative action. Otherwise known as "Acts". Lawmakers propose bills. Bills are presented to committees, and citizens can weigh in by testifying before the committee of 13 lawmakers, who work the bill, and take a committee vote. If there is a divided report (some for, some against), then the bill is voted on in each of the legislative bodies – Maine House and Maine Senate. Legislative laws can also be repealed and revised through legislative action. **(See pathway to legislation – pg 60)**.

Resolutions are different than acts. They are most commonly an expression of sentimental condolences (simple resolution), but can also be used to officially express an opinion of the legislative body. This session, there are four Resolutions that are proposing amendments to the constitution. Maine Right To Life and the Pro-Life Coalition of Maine are very concerned about any proposals that seek to amend the constitution. These four Resolutions are seeking to enshrine abortion into Maine's constitution. They are far worse than bills. Laws can be changed far easier than changing Maine's constitution.

HERE ARE THE FOUR RESOLUTIONS THAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT:

LD 776 **Resolution** – Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish the Right to Bodily Autonomy.

LD 780 **Resolution** – Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Protect Personal Reproductive Autonomy.

LD 1412 **Resolution** – Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Establishing that Maine Residents have Equal Rights under the Law.

LR 1696 **Resolution** – Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Establishing the Right to Abortion.

Please note: LD stands for Legislative Document. The Resolution has been assigned an official document. LR Stands for Legislative Request, which means it Hasn't yet been assigned an official LD. As of deadline for this publication, we don't have the official LD.

These proposed **Resolutions** are not sentimental Simple Resolutions. Rather, they are Joint Resolutions. And there is a big difference. These Resolutions seek to send the issue out to the voters to decide via citizen referendum. Voters Beware!

A Joint Resolution requires a two-thirds vote in both legislative bodies to be able to be sent to voters. ***The Pro-Life Coalition of Maine encourages all voters who are Pro-Life to contact your State Representative and State Senator NOW to tell them to vote NO!***

PLANNED PARENTHOOD...
KILLING AND HARMING HUMANITY.

Planned Parenthood wants you to believe they support parenthood, family planning and a woman's **choice** in reproductive healthcare. They claim to provide "women's reproductive healthcare", and say their services are "essential". Nothing could be further from the truth.

Founder, **Margaret Sanger** and her friend, **Larry Lader**, (known as the father of abortion) have deep roots in **eugenics**. Planned Parenthood preys on minorities and those financially, physically, and/or mentally vulnerable among us. Their practices are deadly and destructive. They perform linguistic jumping jacks that twists the meanings of words.

Planned Parenthood is in the abortion business. With 600 health centers across the country, they are the nation's largest abortion provider. 2021 was a banner year for them. They aborted 383,460 unborn babies– an increase of 28,586 over 2020. According to their **Annual Report for 2020 – 2021** as numbers hit a historic high, their profits did too. Ryan Bomberger, of The Radiance Foundation's article: **Planned Parenthood Makes a Killing During The Pandemic** is a must read.

Don't believe a word Planned Parenthood says. Abortion is *not* healthcare!

They claim they offer "Women's Reproductive Healthcare"; their services are "essential", and women deserve "choice". The definition of reproduction is to produce an offspring. There is nothing reproductive about an abortion. Essential healthcare and woman's choice? In 2021, Planned Parenthood provided 8,778 "pre-natal" services, and 1,919 "adoption referrals" compare that to the 383,460 human life they destroyed, you might say their mission is deadly.

The oft-used word: "choice" is becoming a linguistic challenge for Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry. For Planned Parenthood, "choice" is about access to abortion. Their **annual report**, titled: "Here For A Reason", states their goal to: "Ensure access to care for everyone we can, everywhere we can, and in every way we can." They want every woman to have access to an abortion clinic on every corner. That is their idea of "choice." It has nothing to do with alternatives to abortion. Planned Parenthood and abortion advocates are pushing to shut down crisis Pregnancy Resource Centers **across the country**, and here in **Maine**.

Planned Parenthood and the abortion lobby wear **t-shirts** that say: to the Pro-Life movement: Stay out of my uterus. There is nothing more un-natural and invasive to a woman's uterus than an abortion.

"First do no harm" is **the Hippocratic Oath** Written in the 5th century B.C. It is one of the oldest documents in history. Creators intended it to be a binding covenant to uphold the art of medicine and to act in the patient's interest. It is a vow that says: I will abstain from all intentional wrong-doing and harm".

Women deserve better. Maine Right to Life believes that real choice in healthcare addresses the physical, spiritual, mental, psychological health and wellbeing of women. It should honor the natural power of the human body and sacred nature of the **woman's womb**.

Families and children deserve better too. Planned Parenthood is menacing minds, bodies, and society. They are hiding their involvement in a rapidly emerging diagnoses and their treatment of **Gender Affirmation Therapy**. Since 2017 a staggering number of youth age 6-17 are being diagnosed with gender dysphoria. According to **Reuters** from 15,172 in 2017 to 42,167 in 2021 – the numbers are soaring.

The deception in Planned Parenthood's annual report is palpable. Listed under "Other Services" on page 27, 15,902 "other procedures" were performed. In the very small print – foot note #7, they simply call it "transgender services". They don't want you to know the physical and mental destruction they are doing to people, especially our youth –the most mentally fragile among us.

These procedures are **expensive** and profitable. The long-term effects of **puberty blockers**, bone density, and bodily tissues remain unclear. **Hormone Replacement therapy** that uses cross-sex hormones increases the risk of cardiac disease, high blood pressure, blood clots, stroke, diabetes, gallbladder disease, breast cancer in men, and sleep apnea in women.

Planned Parenthood defies all that healthcare is supposed to be and do. If they aren't killing the unborn, they are preying on the conflicted and confused and causing irreversible harm to bodies which can include sterilization. This is not "reproductive healthcare"!

Yet, Planned Parenthood wields power and might. They are financially supported by some of the world's **wealthiest donors** - $597.3M (34%), Government health services and reimbursement grants to the tune of $633.4M (37% of their $1.7B revenue) represents their largest funding source, which is your tax dollars. Additionally, they are in the **public schools**, featured in **Hollywood**, embraced by mainstream **media**, and heavily involved in **political campaigns** – spending $545.3M federal candidates 2020-2021.

Planned Parenthood means business in Maine!

In Maine's last legislative session **2/3rds of the legislators** in Augusta voted 100% with Planned Parenthood. In the 2022 election, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England's Political Action committee broke new records spending **$836,059**. This was the largest amount this organization has spent in at least a decade breaking the previous 2014 record when they spent $562,233. The **Portland Press Herald** is aiding and abetting the gender discussion, giving it front page exposure and calling into question parental rights.

Maine's Pregnancy Resource Centers are 100% privately funded. They don't have billionaire donors, and don't receive taxpayer funding. They need our support. Please get to know your local Pregnancy Resource Center, and help them out. Together, we all can stand up to this abortion giant. It's time for healthcare to follow the Hippocratic oath.

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5:15 p.m. Saturday
9:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Christopher
15 Central Ave, Peaks Island
8:30 a.m. Sunday

Sacred Heart/St. Dominic
65 Mellen St, Portland
10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. Sunday

St. Louis
279 Danforth St, Portland
11:30 a.m. Sunday

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WHAT REALLY IS MAINE LAW ON ABORTION?

Abortion law in Maine is very simple: If a woman wants to obtain an abortion, she can almost always do it, with almost any method, for almost any reason.[1] Abortion is almost always legal and, when it is legal, the state actively ensures that the abortion is funded..

Maine Imposes Three Limits on Abortion: Minors, Viability, and Performance (MVP)

But it is important to know that there *are* exceptions. Broadly speaking, there are three kinds of limits on abortion in Maine: limits on who can *obtain* an abortion, limits on *when* she can obtain it, and limits on who can *perform* it.

The only limit on who can *obtain* an abortion is placed on minors: children under 18 years of age. Legally, minors *can* get an abortion. But before they do so, they need to obtain one of three things: either adult consent, a court order, or counseling.[2]

The minor can satisfy the "consent" requirement by simply providing written permission from her legal guardian, or any adult family member.[3] If this is provided, then nothing else is required for the abortion except written consent from the minor herself.

Without a court order, a minor can instead request a confidential hearing before a District Court. The court then has two choices. One, it can allow the abortion to proceed. Two, it can refuse to let the abortion proceed, but only *if* it can be shown that the minor is too immature to make this decision, and *also* that the abortion is not in her best interest.[4]

The "counseling" requirement is minimal: Before performing an abortion on a minor, the "health care professional" performing the abortion must make sure the minor knows what she is getting into.[5] She must be given basic information about her pregnancy (how many weeks she is along, for example), and told about her other options (keeping the child, adoption, etc.). [6] If this is done, then neither adult consent nor a court order is required.

Only one of these options is necessary for the minor to obtain an abortion. It must, however, be done according to specific steps. If the steps are not followed, the health care professional can be fined up to $1,000. If that professional violated these requirements outright, he or she would then be committing a Class D crime (up to one year in prison, $2,000 fine).[7]

[1] 22 M.R.S. § 1593(1) (2022) [passed in 1977, revised in 2003]
Almost any reason: As long she does not abort the baby to use it in scientific experimentation.
[2] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(1)-(8) (2022) [passed in 1989, revised in 2003, 2019, and 2021].
[3] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(2)(A) (2022) [passed in 1989, revised in 2019].
[4] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(6) (2022) [passed in 2021].
[5] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(2)(C) (2022) [passed in 1989, revised in 2019].
[6] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(4) (2022) [passed in 1989, revised in 2019].
[7] 22 M.R.S. § 1597-A(8) (2022) [passed in 2003, revised in 2019].

There is only one limit on *when* an abortion can be performed: Once a child becomes "viable," he or she cannot be legally aborted in Maine. A viable child is one who can survive outside the womb without artificial life support.[8]

However, the law does not specify when a child has become viable. There is no strict line that cannot be crossed. The law only makes it a Class D crime (up to one year in prison, up to $2,000 fine) for a health care professional to "knowingly disregard" the child's viability when conducting an abortion. But it does not clearly say when that viability begins.[9]

The result is that "when" a child can be aborted is decided on a case-by-case basis. In practice, the limit ends up being placed between 24 and 28 weeks—roughly around six months of pregnancy.[10] After this point, the unborn child can only be terminated if his or her existence risks the health or life of the mother.[11]

This restriction is reinforced by the requirement that, if an abortion fails, the healthcare professional is legally required to do whatever he or she can to keep the child alive. Failure to do so may result in severe penalties for the healthcare professional who is conducting the abortion.[12]

Not everyone can perform an abortion. Unlike most states, which require that abortions only be performed by a licensed physician,[13] Maine also allows physician assistants and "advanced practice registered nurses" to perform them as well.[14] Though much more expansive than other states, this is still a restriction on abortion: not everyone can perform one.

While the law does ensure that the person who performs the abortion has some form of medical license, it does not guarantee that the physician or physician assistant has specialized knowledge of performing abortions. But these requirements are not entirely lax. Before a registered nurse can perform an abortion without a physician's help, he or she must complete a course and then be certified for this "advanced" specialization by the state medical board.[15]

If someone performs an abortion but does not fall into any of these categories, he or she can be charged with a Class C crime (up to 5 years in prison, up to a $5,000 fine).[16]

Maine Law Requires Tax-payers to pay for abortions

Maine actively ensures that any person who wants a legal abortion can have one. It does this in two ways: mandated insurance coverage, and direct funding.

[8] 22 M.R.S. § 1598(1) (2022) [passed in 1979, revised in 1993 and 2019].
[9] 22 M.R.S. § 1598(4) (2022) [passed in 1979, revised in 2019].
[10] https://www.maine.gov/ag/docs/Abortion%20Rights%20in%20Maine.pdf
[11] 22 M.R.S. § 1598(1) (2022) [passed in 1979, revised in 1993 and 2019].
[12] 22 M.R.S. § 1594 (2022) [passed in 1977].
[13] https://www.guttmacher.org/state-policy/explore/overview-abortion-laws
[14] 22 M.R.S. § 1596(1)(C) (2022) [passed in 2019].
[15] 32 M.R.S. § 2201-A (2022) [passed in 1995].
[16] 22 M.R.S. § 1598(3)(B) (2022) [passed in 1979].

First, **the law requires almost all health insurance companies to cover abortions**. The only exceptions are those companies which can claim a religious exemption, and those which do not cover any health costs related to carrying children.[17] If a woman has insurance in Maine, she almost always can get an abortion paid for.

Second, **the state directly funds abortions** for any woman eligible for MaineCare, and reimburses abortion facilities for the cost of providing free abortions to women.[18] The result is that if a woman lacks insurance which covers abortion, she can still obtain one for free.

Abortion is therefore not merely legal in Maine, but effectively free on-demand for almost any pregnant person who wants one.

Maine Allows for Contentious Objection

Despite its extensive protection of and support for abortion, Maine does much to protect the rights of those who are and comfortable with abortion, and those who are not.

On one hand, **those uncomfortable with the legalization of abortion cannot be retaliated against** for their opposition. There are two main areas in which this is especially true: protections for religious organizations, and immunity for healthcare professionals who refused to perform or assist in an abortion.

Above, exemptions for religious organizations were already discussed in the context of insurance. The same applies across the board: Nowhere in Maine law are religious organizations currently required to directly pay for, support, or participate in abortions.[19]

In addition, healthcare professionals who refuse to participate in or perform an abortion cannot be fired, suspended, demoted, or otherwise damaged by the company or hospital that they work for. Even if their action hurts the company, it can in no way affect the employment status or the privileges of that particular employee.[20]

On the other hand, **those seeking an abortion cannot be retaliated against** either. Notice that the punishments for violating the above restrictions on abortion above are all inflicted on the person performing the abortion, not the one who requested it. While the healthcare professional will not be punished if they followed acted in good faith, only they can be punished. The only time the mother herself is liable to charges is if it is no longer a matter of "ending a pregnancy," but rather terminating an already-born child.

This prohibition on retaliation extends even to protests outside abortion clinics, which are allowed as long as they do not block entry into an abortion facility, or hover immediately around the doors.[21]

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[17] 24-A M.R.S. § 4320-M (2022) [passed in 2019].
[18] https://www.maine.gov/ag/docs/Abortion%20Rights%20in%20Maine.pdf
[19] 24-A M.R.S. § 4320-M(4) (2022) [passed in 2019].
[20] 22 M.R.S. § 1591 (2022) [passed in 1977].
[21] 5 M.R.S. § 4684-B (2022) [passed in 1995, amended in 2021].

Conclusion

While the state of Maine clearly tries to balance the rights of pro-life and pro-abortion demonstrators, almost any person can legally obtain an abortion for any reason either at the taxpayer's expense or that of their insurance company.

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MAINE ABORTION UPDATE & STATISTICS

Abortions In Maine Are On The Rise.

In the ten years from 2009 to 2018, abortions dropped by an amazing 19 percent—from 2,413 abortions in 2009 to 1,949 in 2018. In 2019, after Governor Janet Mills and the Democratic majority in the Legislature passed pro-abortion legislation, including the state-taxpayer funding of abortion through MaineCare. That same year, the number of abortions increased to 2021. In 2020, that figure peaked at 2065, despite the COVID lockdown. In 2021, the total number of abortions fell to 1915, the lowest number since 2015's 1836.

The changes to abortion laws that went into effect in 2019 included allowing physician assistants and nurses with advanced training to perform aspiration abortions. This likely increased the number of places in Maine performing this type of abortion from three to up to 18.

The other law passed in 2019 requires insurance plans that cover maternity care to pay for abortions, including MaineCare, the state's Medicaid program. Because of the prohibition on using federal money to pay for abortion, the state pays the full cost of MaineCare-covered abortions. MaineCare coverage of abortions went into effect during calendar year 2019; the provision covering private insurance went into effect January 1, 2020. This analysis reflects two years of this coverage.

Between 2009 and 2018, surgical abortions dropped by 47 percent (1,046 v. 1,976). This trend continued in 2019, falling to 995. This is a 54 percent decrease in abortions in the ten years between 2010 and 2019. In 2020, surgical abortions fell again to 619, a 38 percent drop from 2019. However, in 2021, surgical abortions rose to 754, and 18 percent increase.

In 2016, Maine Family Planning introduced chemical/telemed abortions at ALL 17 of their locations. **Maine went from having three abortion clinics to having 20 abortion clinics overnight.** The result: chemical abortions increased by 47 percent in *just one year* (542 v. 799).

Maine CDC reports that, from 2009 to 2018, chemical abortions increased by 106 percent. Sadly, in 2019, the number of chemical abortions increased from 2018's 901 to 1023, driving the overall increase in the number of abortions in the state. In 2019, 55 percent of abortions were chemical.

In 2020, the number of chemical abortions jumped by 40 percent, to 1446, representing 70 percent of all abortions. Yet in 2021 chemical abortions fell by 20 percent, to 1159, making up about 60 percent of all abortions.

The COVID restrictions of 2020, including the increased use and availability of telemedicine, for which abortion was already allowed under Maine law, as well as the limitations on in-person medical services and other medical provider restraints related to the pandemic may have influenced the significant fall in surgical abortions and the rise in chemical abortions that year. Consequently, the easing of such restrictions in 2021 may have influenced the reversal of that trend, with an increase in surgical and a drop in chemical abortions in the state.

Maine Family Planning offers chemical telemed/webcam abortions at all of their clinics in the following towns: Bangor, Belfast, Calais, Damariscotta, Dexter, Ellsworth, Farmington, Fort Kent, Houlton, Lewiston, Machias, Norway, Presque Isle, Rockland, Rumford, Skowhegan , and Waterville.

Note: Iowa, Minnesota, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii, and Maine commit telemed abortions.

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While surgical abortions are decreasing, the particularly gruesome Dilation & Evacuation abortion procedure (commonly known as a Dismemberment Abortion) has dramatically increased in Maine. This grizzly abortion procedure is customarily committed on innocent, unborn children in the second trimester. These abortions grew by an amazing 3,336 percent, from three in 2009 to 104 in 2018, but fell in 2019 to 92 and again in 2020 to 80. In 2021 however, the number performed increased slightly to 84, approximately the same number performed in 2012, which was 86.

Although we are making inroads, abortion is <u>still</u> NOT rare in Maine... with an average of 5.2 abortions committed EVERY DAY...

36.8 abortions EACH WEEK.

ACT

FEELING CALLED TO HELP – BUT NOT SURE WHAT YOU CAN DO?

We hear this all the time: "I'm Pro-Life – but don't know what I can do to advance the cause". If this is you - this section is for you!

Here at Maine Right to Life, we tell people, we are Pro-Life, Pro-Active, and Pro-Women. When you bring those red letters together, they spell: LAW! The truth is – we need to change laws at the state and federal level to save lives from womb to tomb.

Amid a very hostile political landscape, Maine Right to Life embraces the old adage: You catch more bees with honey, than you do with vinegar. The truth is on our side. Life is winning. The mainstream media narrative wants people to believe that abortion is women's reproductive healthcare, and the key to women's happiness is their right to control their body and what goes on in it. What the mainstream media sells short is the awesome power that only biological women have: The gift of their womb to bring precious and innocent new life into the world.

People inherently know the joy that a newborn brings. There is nothing happy and liberating about destroying new life in a woman's womb. And people naturally know this! The truth is: The majority of people are "uncomfortably Pro-Choice" – they may tell you, personally, they would never have an abortion, however they support a woman's right. Their support comes from the rhetoric that surrounds the issue; and for a variety of reasons, they aren't comfortable discussing the topic. You can be their breath of fresh air!

Having true friends for life makes a rich life worth living. We are here for each other. Amid our troubled world, if every person made a concerted effort to be a better friend, think how much better off we all would be. In our midst are women facing an unplanned pregnancy. They are confused, and searching for options. Also, in our midst, are women who are suffering from abortion remorse. Left unchecked, the trauma of abortion and the feeling of loss, can lead to isolation, depression, despair and hopelessness. Our beautiful state of Maine is experiencing record overdose deaths and suicide. True friends can help people know that **help is available**.
In the pages that follow, are some of Maine's many resources who are a beacon of truth, light and hope.
Please get to know them.

Please renew your Friend For Life membership, complete a volunteer form, and spread this resource with your friends and faith communities.

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Capt. Walter Russell, Jr.

Supporting the work of Maine Right to Life

110 Marginal Way Portland, ME 04101

HERE ARE TEN WAYS

That You Can Help Spread The Pro-Life Message To Change Minds, Hearts And Also Laws:

1. **Educate yourself and others**. Click on the many links in this resource directory, and share this directory. Pick up Randy Alcorn's book, ***ProLife Answers to Pro Choice Argument***

2. **Forge relationships with your local State Representative and State Senator**. No matter where they are on this issue, seek out a meaningful relationship with them. Thank them for serving – via email, personal notes, phone, or over coffee. If they are elected, they are serving you. Share your personal story about why you are Pro-Life, ask them to support Pro-Life legislation, ask them to vote against Pro-Abortion legislation. Commit today to get to know them. We've made this easy for you! See REFERENCE SECTION. Also, consider helping a Pro-Life candidate get elected or re-elected. Get familiar with the bills before the legislature – both for and against Pro-Life issues. Become familiar with how an idea YOU have, can become a bill, and then becomes a law.

3. **Use your voice!** Write a letter to your editor in your local newspaper, or write an op-ed piece in a publication. Consider testifying before a legislative committee on a piece of legislation. See tips on (PG 34).

4. **Start a Pro-Life Book Club!** Why not read and discuss a good Pro-Life book together. Some good recommendations: ***Subverted***, by Sue Ellen Browder, ***Unplanned***, by Abby Johnson, ***Tearing Us Apart***, by Ryan Anderson and Alexandra DeSanctis. Do you have a book to recommend? We'd love to hear from you!

5. **Start a Pro-Life Chapter in your area.** Maine Right to Life is looking to form local chapters around the state. We provide training and resources – taking tips provided here, together we can grow together and hone our Pro-Life promotion skills. Please contact us to learn more!

6. **Harness the power of social media:** Though challenging today with recent censorship, we encourage you to share information on social media.

7. **Sidewalk counseling** with organizations, such as **40 days for Life**, offer prayers and counseling outside abortion facilities. Participants stand at these facilities to let women know "we're here to help" – offering love, prayers, resources in Maine, hope, and options.

8. **Support Adoption.** Have you ever considered adopting a child? Imagine a women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy hearing the words: "I'll adopt your baby!" Though adoption may not be a realistic option for you, become familiar with **Adoption Solutions** here in Maine (pg. 42)

9. **Set up a booth at your church or at a fair!** Contact us!

10. **Participate in our Annual Programs/** We love seeing people at Hands AT the Capitol, Legislature Appreciation Day, Friends for Life Day, and workshops..

HOW TO GET FAMILIAR WITH BILLS IN THE LEGISLATURE:

Bills we are following this session – and what you can do about them! This session, there are at least a number of Pro-Life and Pro-Abortion bills – and more still coming. At the deadline of this publication, there are a number of bills still in the revisors office. Please refer to our website under the legislation tab for a full update of all bills. We encourage you to get to know your State Representative and State Senator, and let the know how you feel about these bills. When contacting your legislator, please do the following:

- ✓ In the subject line state: Support (or oppose) the LD # *NOTE: Currently, a number of bills have not yet been assigned LD #'s this session.* This link will provide you an update, and let you know when the hearing is: https://legiscan.com/ME/legislation/2023
- ✓ In the body, be courteous, and thank them for their service – state your reasons for or against.
- ✓ Be sure to include your name and your town at the end of your email and/or letter. This is very important! Legislators receive a lot of mail and they pay very close attention to people who are their constituents.

HERE IS A PARTIAL LIST OF BILLS THAT WE SUPPORT:

LD 494
An Act To Conform State Funding to the Federal Hyde Amendment, Limiting Funding for Some Abortion Services.
Sponsor: Rep. Kathy Javner, Committee: Judiciary

LD 1197
An Act To Prevent Coerced Abortion
Sponsor: Rep. Amy Arata Committee: TBD

LD 1249
An Act to Protect the Quality of Care Provided via Telehealth by Prohibiting Physicians from Prescribing Abortion-Inducing Drugs Sponsor: Rep. Reagan Paul Committee: TBD.
Sponsor: Rep. Reagan Paul, Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance, and Financial

LD: 995
An Act to Provide Insurance Coverage for a Second Opinion if a Health Care Provider Recommends an Abortion for Health and Safety Reason
Sponsor: Rep. Tracy Quint, Committee: Health Insurance & Financial Services

HERE IS A LIST OF BILLS WE OPPOSE:

LD 1137
An Act to Prohibit Deceptive Advertising in Limited Pregnancy Service Centers
Sponsor: Lori Gramlich Committee: Judiciary

LD 616
An Act to Protect Health Care Professionals Providing Reproductive Health Care Services
Sponsor: Rep. Amy Kuhn, Committee: Judiciary

LD 776
RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish the Right to Bodily Autonomy
Sponsor: Sen. Craig Hickman, Committee: Judiciary

LD 780
RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Protect Personal Reproductive Autonomy
Sponsor: Sen. Eloise Vitelli, Committee: Judiciary

LD 935
An Act to Remove Barriers to Abortion Coverage in Private Insurance
Sponsor: Rep. Matthew Moonen, Committee: Health Insurance & Financial Services

LD: 1619
An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws
Sponsor: Governor's Bill, Committee: Judiciary

How To Testify On State Legislation:

Each bill will be assigned an LD#. It will be assigned to a committee, which will schedule a public hearing for members of the public to weigh in – for, against, or neither for nor against. Be sure to note the bill, its designated committee, and address your testimony to the committee. Here is a **live link** to instructions, that will lead you through to actually uploading your testimony and sending directly to the committee. **Mainepolicy.org** provides a step-by-step through the live link. The **Christian Civic League of Maine** provides a great tutorial on how to actually write and present your testimony.

How To Keep Peaceful Protest – Peaceful:

Those who oppose Pro-Life supporters are on a mission to make us look bad, always. There may be thousands of people peacefully protesting abortion, and the media seeks out the one "bad" person. The media loves to portray Pro-Lifers as angry, judgmental, religious zealots who not only have no compassion for women, only care about stopping abortion to save a baby's life, and do nothing for women or other's lives beyond that.

Beware of the messenger who is determined to demonize you. Do not engage with them. Encourage others with you, not to engage with them. All it takes is a few people to become involved with counter demonstrators in a loud confrontation and surprise, surprise the TV cameras are right there. Give them no reason to capture you on film.

How To Write A Letter To The Editor In Your Local Newspaper:

This guide provides a listing to many local newspapers. Here are some tips: Most newspapers limit your word count to 250 words. Check with your specific newspaper. Letters to the editor are widely read, and are a great way to get the Pro-Life message out. A well written, thoughtful, compassionate piece can soften the narrative that depicts Pro-Life advocates as angry, judgmental religious zealots who have no compassion for women. Here are some helpful tips to keep your message positive and well received:

1. ***Go for the low hanging fruit!*** You won't convince the staunch abortion supporter. The majority of people don't identify as strongly Pro-Life or Pro-Abortion, rather – they "uncomfortably Pro-Choice": They know in their heart that abortion is wrong, but for a variety of reasons, aren't comfortable saying so. Focus on one main idea, and provide supporting information. Consider your letter to be the vehicle that enlightens them that others feel as they do, and it is okay to say so!

2. ***Focus on the goal!*** Yes – we share a long-term goal of living in a culture where life is respected and protected from conception to natural death. When writing to the general public, present the issue as a human rights issue rather than a religious issue. There are people of every religious and political persuasion, as well as atheists. We can broaden our audience and convince more people when we simply focus on justice and reason.

SAMPLE LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

LTE – RE: Late Term Abortion

Once upon a time, it was stated that abortion should be safe, legal, and rare. Today, abortion is anything but. One area where abortion is rare is in late term – typically after a baby is viable, meaning, not only can they live outside the womb, they also can feel pain, and we can see them react to pain clearly when viewing an ultra sound. Public polling time and time again, has shown that upwards to 80% of the public, when asked, oppose late term abortion, because they clearly can see and know - this it is the killing of a voiceless, innocent, human life. Late term abortion is rare. Let's keep it that way. There is a bill in the legislature that seeks to allow abortion right up to birth. Please contact your lawmaker in Augusta and tell them to vote NO.

Sincerely,
Name
Town

Must include phone number and email.

MAJOR NEWSPAPERS IN MAINE

Contact And Instructions For Letters To Editor And Guest Columns

Portland Press Herald

http://www.pressherald.com/

The Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram has the largest news gathering team in Maine.

Maine Voices columns (550-650 words) should include the author's name, address and daytime phone number. They may be emailed to: **mainevoices@pressherald.com**. Columns may be edited for length and content.

Letters to editor – click on this **link**

Northern Forecaster

https://www.pressherald.com/forecaster/northern-forecaster/

Your hometown newspaper covering southern Maine from Scarborough to Bath in four print editions.

All letters and guest columns must include the writer's name, town of residence and a telephone number, for confirmation purposes only.

Letters and guest columns must be received by noon the Friday before publication. Letter and guest columns regarding electoral candidates or referendum must be received two weeks prior to the election.

Letters to the editor must be limited to 300 words (150 words if the letter is a political endorsement of a candidate or referendum). Guest columns should be limited to 600 words.

Letters and guest columns should be emailed to **editor@theforecaster.net**.

We do not accept material written in longhand.

We reserve the right to reject or edit any submission. Personal complaints or attacks, poetry, plagiarized material, religious treatises or submissions from organized letter-writing campaigns will not be published.

We do not provide a forum for defendants to rehash court cases. Likewise, letters that have to do with private legal matters, including divorce and child custody issues, will not be printed.

We do not print letters or guest columns from disgruntled employees of private businesses who complain about unjust firings, or other problems. We do not print letters or guest columns accusing public or private individuals of criminal conduct. These types of complaints should be submitted to law enforcement officials instead.

Letters containing original poetry will not be printed.

Bangor Daily News

http://bangordailynews.com/

Covering the entire state.

To submit a Letter to the editor or a column – **click here:**

Twin City Times

http://www.twincitytimes.com

Covering Lewiston-Auburn

To submit a letter to the editor or a column – contact:

89 Union Street, Suite 1014
Auburn, ME 04210
(207) 795-5017
info@twincitytimes.com

Lewiston Sun Journal

http://www.sunjournal.com/

Covering Androscoggin, Oxford and Franklin counties.

To submit a letter to the editor or a column – **click here:**

Portland Forecaster

http://www.theforecaster.net/category/portland/

Covering southern Maine from Scarborough to Bath in four print editions.

To submit a letter to the editor – **click here:**

Kennebec Journal

https://www.centralmaine.com/

Covering Augusta.

To submit a letter to the editor – **click here:**

Mid-Coast Forecaster

http://www.theforecaster.net/category/midcoast/

Covering southern Maine from Scarborough to Bath in four print editions.

Maine Voices columns (550-650 words) should include the author's name, address and daytime phone number. They may be emailed to: **mainevoices@pressherald.com**. Columns may be edited for length and content.

Letters to editor – **click on this link**

Southern Forecaster

https://www.pressherald.com/southern-forecaster/

Covering southern Maine from Scarborough to Bath in four print editions.

Maine Voices columns (550-650 words) should include the author's name, address and daytime phone number. They may be emailed to: **mainevoices@pressherald.com**. Columns may be edited for length and content.

Letters to editor – editor@theforecaster.net

The Time Record

https://www.timesrecord.com/

Covering Brunswick

Letters to the editor and guest columns should include your first and last name, your city or town and a phone number for verification purposes. Limit your letter to 350 words. Guest columns should be between 600-800 words.

Letters and guest columns endorsing candidates or campaign issues must be received 10 days before an election. Letters and guest columns written by candidates on any subject must be received 30 days before an election.

Letters to the editor should be the author's own work. We strongly discourage and will attempt to weed out form letters, letters that have been mailed to other news outlets or letters that have been written and/or edited by a third party, including but not limited to political parties and public relations specialists. We try to limit printing one submission per author per month.

We reserve the right to edit, condense or reject any letter to the editor or any guest column. We do not publish anonymous letters, personal attacks, personal complaints, poetry, consumer complaints, religious treatises or letters written in bad taste.

Letters and guest columns may be e-mailed to **letters@timesrecord.com**. We do not accept handwritten material.

Contact John Swinconeck at (207) 504-8209 or **editor@timesrecord.com** for more information

COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

Mt. Desert Island – Mt. Desert Island Letter to editor – **click here:**

MDIslander https://www.mdislander.com/

310 Main Street
Bar Harbor, ME 04609
Phone: 207-288-0556
Email: info@mdislander.com

The Courier-Gazette - Camden, ME

Phone: (207) 594-4401
Email letters to editor@villagesoup.com

The Republican Journal - Rockport, ME

Phone: (207) 338-3333
Fax: (207) 338-5498
editor@villagesoup.com

The Camden Herald - Camden, ME

https://knox.villagesoup.com/camden-herald/

Phone: (207) 236-8511
Fax: (207) 236-2816
Letters to https://knox.villagesoup.com/site/forms/online_services/letter_editor/.

The Ellsworth American

https://www.ellsworthamerican.com/

1 Printing House Square
Ellsworth, ME 04605
Phone: 207-667-2576
Email: info@ellsworthamerican.com
Letter to editor – **click here:**

Lincoln County News - Newcastle, ME

https://lcnme.com/

Letters should be emailed to info@lcnme.com (preferred), submitted through LCNme.com, faxed to 563-3127, or mailed to P.O. Box 36, Damariscotta, ME 04543.

Boothbay Register - Boothbay, ME

https://www.boothbayregister.com/

news@boothbayregister.com (Boothbay Register)

Wiscasset Newspaper - Wiscasset, ME

https://www.wiscassetnewspaper.com/

news@wiscassetnewspaper.com

Fiddlehead Focus - Fort Kent

https://fiddleheadfocus.com/

+1-207-728-3336
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: nepletters@nepublish.com

St. John Valley Time

http://fiddleheadfocus.com/category/news/community/st-john-valley/

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: nepletters@nepublish.com

Piscataquis Observer - Dover-Foxcraft, ME

http://observer-me.com/

Letters to the editor observer@nepublish.com

Aroostook Republican

https://thecounty.me/category/aroostook-republican/

207-496-3251
aadams@bangordailynews.com

Houlton Pioneer Times

https://thecounty.me/category/houlton-pioneer-times/
207-532-2281
srouse@bangordailynews.com

The Star Herald

https://thecounty.me/category/the-star-herald/
207-768-5431
aadams@bangordailynews.com

Bridgton News - Bridgton, ME

http://www.bridgton.com/
Phone: 207-647-2851
Fax: 207-647-5001

To submit Letter's to editof:
Go to: http://www.bridgton.com/contact-us/,
or click this link

Cape Courier - Cape Elizabeth, ME

https://capecourier.com/
E-mail letters to: editor@capecourier.com

Castine Patriot - Castine & Penobscot, ME

https://www.castinepatriot.com/
Letters to editor
https://penobscotbaypress.com/submit/
or click this link

Journal Tribune - Biddeford, ME

https://www.pressherald.com/journal-tribune/
Letters to editor
https://www.pressherald.com/reader-services/letters-editor/

Gorham Times - Gorham, ME

https://www.gorhamtimes.com/
207-839-8390
https://www.gorhamtimes.com/contact-us/
or click this link

Morning Sentinel
Northern Kennebec Valley

Phone: 207-791-6000
https://www.centralmaine.com/letters-editor/

The Free Press - Rockland, ME

https://freepressonline.com/
https://freepressonline.com/contact-us/
207-596-0055
Letters to editor:
E-mail to copyedit@freepressonline.com

Lakes Region Weekly – Standish, Windham, Raymond, Sebago, Naples, Casco, ME

https://www.pressherald.com/lakes-region-weekly/
Letters to the editor:
https://www.pressherald.com/reader-services/letters-editor/

The Lincoln County News - Damariscotta, ME

https://lcnme.com/
207-563-3171
Letters to the editor: info@lcnme.com

Machias Valley News Observer - Machias Valley, ME

https://www.machiasnews.com/
207-255-6561
info@machiasnews.com

Penobscot Bay Press - Penobscot, ME

https://penobscotbaypress.com/
207-367-2200
Letter to editor:
https://penobscotbaypress.com/submit/

Scarborough Leader - Scarborough, ME

https://www.pressherald.com/mainely-media/scarborough-leader/
Letter to the editor:
https://www.pressherald.com/reader-services/letters-editor/

So. Portland - Cape Elizabeth Sentry - So. Portland, Cape Elizabeth, ME

https://www.pressherald.com/tag/sentry-news/
Letter to the editor: https://www.pressherald.com/reader-services/letters-editor/

Kennebunk Post - Kennebunk, ME

https://www.pressherald.com/mainely-media/kennebunk-post/
Letter to the editor:
https://www.pressherald.com/reader-services/letters-editor/

Sun Chronicle - Lewiston, ME

https://www.thesunchronicle.com/
508-236-0337
Letter to editor: news@thesunchronicle.com

The Weekly Packet - Blue Hill, Brooklin, Brooksville, Sedwick - Surry, ME

https://www.weeklypacket.com/
207-367-2200
Email letter to editor to: **opinions@pbp.me**

Wiscasset Newspaper - Wiscasset, ME

https://www.wiscassetnewspaper.com/
207-633-4620
Letters to editor: email news@wiscassetnewspaper.com

LOVE

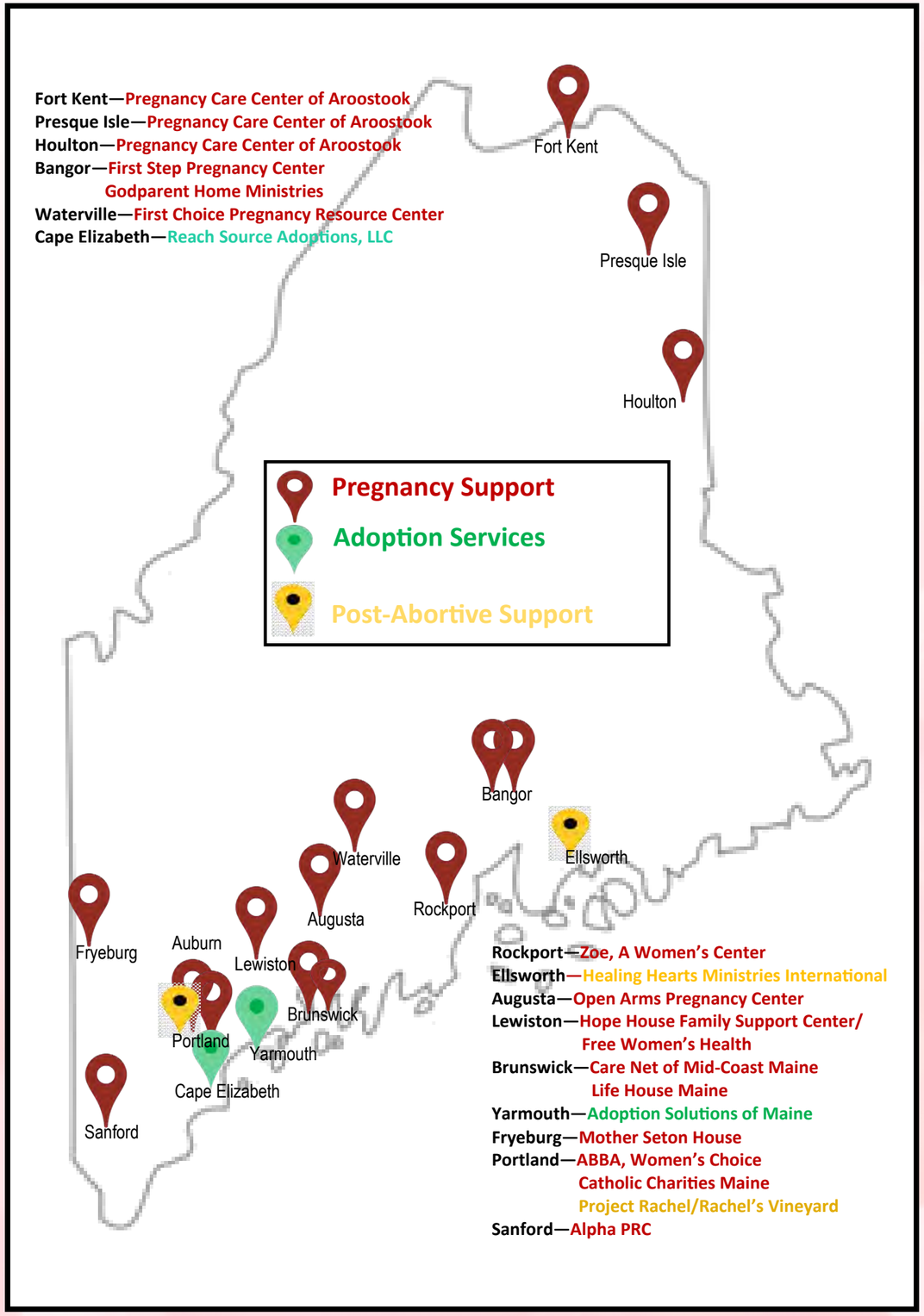
We Believe...

WOMEN facing an unwanted pregnancy deserve all the facts, and have the right to be fully informed before making this life or death decision for themselves and their unborn child.

WOMEN deserve compassionate and thorough counseling without being subjected to undue influence by groups who profit by directing the outcome towards abortion.

WOMEN should feel comfortable and respected for choosing life and never made to feel guilty or undeserving regarding their decision.

WOMEN deserve our support when their choice is life!
Women have earned and deserve accommodation at work, on campuses and in the community when choosing life.



LOVE *continued*

Across Maine there are resources that love and care for mothers, children, and families. These resources are true *friends for life*. We invite you to get to know them. And we invite you to join us. When you become a Friend for Life, you support these resources and you help Maine Right to Life advance a culture of life in Maine. Together, we can make abortion unthinkable. Maine deserves better. Women deserve better.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Open Arms Pregnancy Resource Center – Augusta, ME
Our goal is to encourage capable women to make healthy choices for themselves and their families. Open Arms Pregnancy Center is a 501c3 nonprofit operating in Augusta, Maine. Our biggest programs are free pregnancy tests, emergency assistance, and a mom's support group.

With positive pregnancy tests we give information about options and advise to our services. We also offer emergency assistance making maternity clothes baby clothes and diapers available for situations that need some immediate help. Clients can come in anytime during office hours and don't need an appointment. They leave with a generous amount of everything from socks to blankets and an invitation to join the support group for ongoing assistance.

Our most popular program is a "mommy group" for women who are pregnant or who have a child under 3. The support group meets every Thursday evening and provides an opportunity for each individual to share whatever they are dealing with this week. Each mom who attends the group gets to shop in our resources room and select something for her baby. Group is an opportunity for mentoring and for building caring, supportive relationships with other young moms. Members of the group have a group chat on messenger and share with each other and the leader throughout the week. Group becomes an important support during the difficult time of transitioning to successful motherhood. If the need arises, more private conversation is also available during office hours.

OpenArms Pregnancy Center

99 Bangor St.
Augusta, ME 04330
Call: 207-620-1600

Free and Confidential Services:
Pregnancy Testing
Ultrasounds
Prenatal Care
After Abortion Support
Mom Support
For more information visit:
www.openarmspc.org
Info@openarmspc.org

Our goal is to encourage capable women to make healthy choices.

Hope House – Lewiston, ME
Nurturing life in Lewiston where neighbors help neighbors.

On Free Market Day, sidewalks around the Family Support Center are alive with moms and babies, new immigrant families, seniors, disabled adults, and unhoused teens. Though these segments of the community all struggle with challenges, on Market Day there is hope in the air. The Free Women's Health Clinic and the Free Family Thrift Store offer free services at the markets too. But the most popular is the weekly food! After "shopping" for free fruits/veggies, meats/dairy, baked goods, etc., most leave with smiles, kids skipping, and arms laden with delicious/healthy foods.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

When recession, unemployment, global violence, and Covid caused the already-struggling former mill town to feel greater pangs of food insecurity, Hope House noticed. Food had become the most-requested service of this inner-city center. Almost half the neighborhood's children live in poverty and over 1/3 of households use SNAP (food stamps),* which only provides food for about half the month. And with up to half the households having no car, Hope House made sure nutritious food was readily available downtown.

Hope House's expanded food program has seen diverse and discouraged neighbors rise up, side by side, to become their own solution. These neighbors have overseen donation pick-up, food-sorting/set-up, market operation, and delivery of food boxes to neighborhood shut-in's. Free Market Days have become community celebrations of life! (View "That's What Neighbors Do"! at www.hopehousemaine.com) Community Food Assessment at www.goodfood4la.org

ABBA –Portland, ME: "To speak truth in love"
ABBA is a Christian ministry of compassion. Founded in 1999, they provide support and education for girls and women facing unplanned pregnancy in the Greater Portland area. ABBA's average client is age 22. Rooted in Christian values, services are free and confidential. Their motto is "To speak the truth in love."

The Medical Options Clinic is supervised by a Maine licensed OB/GYN. The medical team includes licensed RN's trained in limited Sonography and trained technicians providing free ultrasound and pregnancy testing to determine viable pregnancy. ABBA offers Christ-centered information and services that support life-affirming decisions to help patients consider their options. All client advocates are certified in Pregnancy Help with AACC (American Association of Christian.).

Programs include: **Parenting Skills Learn & Earn Program** – classes encourage and incentivize healthy pregnancy, labor and delivery, child safety, and relationship building. **Teen Accountability Pregnancy & Parenting (TAPP) Program** - assist teen mothers set goals, continue their education and learn parenting skills. **Biblical Abortion Recovery** - a healing program for post-abortive women who regret having an abortion. **Sexual Health Program** offered by a licensed RN, helps girls and woman have healthy relationships to achieve their goals and dreams. ABBA's **Medical Clinic** provides testing for STD's. Mom Check Program mentoring single moms.

ABBA is a 501-c-3, funded through individual and church donations and Christian Foundation grants. They receive no government funds.

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Difficulties in life reveal just how strong you are.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook –
Presque Isle, Ft. Kent, Houlton – ME

The Pregnancy Care Centers of Aroostook have been serving moms and families since 1985. Affiliated with NIFLA, Heartbeat International, and CareNet, their mission is to demonstrate Christ's loves to those facing a pregnancy decision through spiritual, physical, emotional and educational support in confidential atmosphere. They seek to uphold the truth that God creates human life in His image at conception.

They are a chapter of Save One. Providing Free Ultrasounds, ASAP material assistance and free pregnancy tests, they offer parenting classes/pre-pregnancy and post pregnancy. They offer parenting skills and incentivize participation by offering a Credit Program to earn up to $200. A mom & baby boutique, free of charge, serves mom's, babies, and infants. They offer survivor intervention programs, Abundant Life Bible Studies, and Save One Retreats for women suffering from miscarriage, abortion remorse, and need healing. Women and families are welcome. Retreats are offered January, April, July, October.

Hope and love are offered to the broken, abused, addicted, and hopeless. A Mom's Time Out Program provides art classes, tea time, coffee hour, and movie night. Christmas gifts are provided to families in crisis! Moms are honored with gifts on Mothers Day.

In times of crisis, they step up to the challenge. During the -25 degree F, northern Maine winters, warm clothing and necessities were provided. During the recent formula shortage crisis, baby formula was provided. They saves lives today, and hope to save lives into eternity. FMI: **https://pcc-hope.org/**

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PREGNANCY SUPPORT

LIFE HOUSE MAINE – Brunswick, ME
Sheltering Moms, Nurturing Babies

In 2019, with the help of others who also recognized the need and shared this vision, a steering committee was formed. Their vision of a faith-based, non-profit residential home, situated in Central Maine. This home would shelter expectant mothers through pregnancy and offer them hope and support while raising their babies through the first year.

All mothers are welcome without regard to race, national origin, socioeconomic status or religious affiliation. Services and products provided will be donor supported, at no cost to the residents and include food, shelter, life skills and parenting classes, mentoring, and transportation.

In 2022 our community responded and we can't express how grateful we are. We extended our faith in a creative offer on a renovated farmhouse.

We are so excited to introduce you to The Charlane M. Chapman House in Hebron, Maine. It is located amongst beautiful farmlands, while just a quick drive to the conveniences of town. Our new home comes with 8 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, a large family-style kitchen, and carriage house. Life House Maine is looking for partners with a heart to impact their community.
We invite you to partner with us in our vision. All gifts are tax deductible.

For more details or to schedule an appointment to meet committee members, call (207) 409-1407, or e-mail **info@lifehousemaine.org**

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Sheltering Moms, Nurturing Babies

First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center – Waterville, ME
First Choice Pregnancy Center educates, supports and empowers women facing unplanned pregnancies with compassionate and professional care. If you think you may be pregnant or you are considering abortion, we're here to help! Our abortion clinic alternative offers free and confidential services.

They understand the rush of thoughts and feelings that come when women unexpectedly learn that they are pregnant.

They are here to help. Their staff is committed to providing free, ethical and confidential services in a caring environment. Medical services are provided by licensed medial personnel.

Free services include pregnancy options information - abortion, adoption agency referrals, maternity and infant supplies, medical referrals, parenting education, Post-Abortion support, pregnancy tests, STD/STI information, support for men, and onsite Ultrasound to determine the presence of viability and uterine pregnancy.

First choice Pregnancy Center

295 Kennedy Memorial Dr., Suite 2
Waterville, ME 04901
Call: 207-872-5070

Free and Confidential Services:
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Parenting Education
Post-Abortion Support
Pregnancy Options Information
Pregnancy Tests
STD/STI Information
Support for Men
Ultrasound (Onsite)

For more information visit:
www.firstchoicepregnancycenter.org
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You've got this.
We've got your back.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Shepherd's Godparent Home – Bangor, ME
Founded in 1992, the Shepherd's Godparent Home is a crisis center located in Bangor, Maine. Their doors opened to residents in 2003 and two shelter homes house young women in their teens up to their 40s who are pregnant or parenting and are in crisis. Their mission: to support life from conception to natural death. They offer help in difficult times to various situation that come their way.

Recently, we had a Dad reach out to us. Throughout the years he dropped off diapers, , shared his successes, and other times, sought help.

Recently, he needed help. He didn't have a job, and was staying in his car. He was out of food and money. Two years clean and sober, he didn't want to stay in the shelters. Humbly, he asked for something to eat.
We put together a bag of food.

Executive Director, Barbara Ford, and her husband invited him to dinner. They caught up on his kids, his plans, and gave him more food gathered from the Godparent Home. He was humbly thankful.

As he left Barbara told him, " I want you to know we love you; More importantly, Jesus loves you." " We care about what happens to you." Looking at her, this 44-year-old, 6' 5" 300lb+, recovering addict grown man had tears in his eyes. Choked up, he said: "it's been a long time since someone said those words to me. I love you guys too. Really, thank you..."

Godparent Home MINISTRIES

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A Women's Crisis Center.

Zoe, A Women's Center – Rockport, ME
Meeting you where you are

At Zoe, you are top priority. This center wants every person who walks in to feel seen, valued, supported, loved, and to leave with hope. Whether you are meeting with an advocate for support or seeking evidence-based education, Zoe's desire is to provide quality care and compassion.
They are excited to meet you and hope to empower you in any way that they can!

Zoe's Giving Tree provides a variety of material needs related to parenting and childcare. Whether you are expecting, or have already given birth, or have a young child, they provide materials to help you. All items are free of charge.

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Parenting Support
Life Skills
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Meeting you where you are.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Mother Seton House – Fryeburg, ME
Mother Seton House is a private, nonprofit, 501c3 organization serving pregnant women and new mothers in difficult circumstances in rural Maine and New Hampshire since 2007. We provide academic and parenting education, physical, emotional, and spiritual support in a caring community. In the social justice tradition of the Catholic Church, Mother Seton House welcomes all women, regardless of their race, color, religion, or national origin. Our goal is to help women to transition to independent living situations, with the skills and resources needed to support themselves and their children. We believe every child deserves a good start.

Located in Fryeburg, we operate a maternity home using all volunteer staff. We serve women across a large geographic area, including Mount Washington Valley in New Hampshire.

Mother Seton House has provided a safe, secure and nurturing home at no cost to pregnant women and new mothers in need since 2012. Twenty-four hour per day coverage of the house is been performed by dedicated and consistent volunteers. All roles within the organization are performed by volunteers and a volunteer working Board.

In addition to providing housing, we serve mothers and their babies through donations of baby furniture and equipment, providing regular distributions of clothing and diapers, social networking, and parenting workshops.

For more info go to www.mothersetonhouse.com

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Support for Pregnant Women, new mothers and infants in need.

Paraclete Men's Ministries & Life Issues – Bath, ME https://myparaclete.org/
The purpose of Paraclete Men's Ministries is *"To glorify God by cooperating with Him in building His Kingdom on earth through men's ministry."* The mission of Paraclete Men's Ministries' is *"To disciple and train men to be godly, servant leaders in their homes, churches, and communities."* We believe that this takes place in three ways: participation in a small group men's Bible study where a man learns to experience what authentic transparency looks like, maintaining an ongoing mentor relationship with a more mature Christian brother, and participation in a focus group where specific issues are addressed in a confidential manner.

To promote Christ-centered fellowship among the various churches in God's Kingdom, Paraclete offers a monthly Men's Breakfast that rotates among nine different churches in the Midcoast area. We also make available opportunities for men to grow spiritually through the courses we sponsor – like our 12-week Self-Exam course. And Paraclete also reaches out to men through our 90 second radio feature on God's Country, 88.9 FM, as well as our annual Men's Conference.

Paraclete Men's Ministries is a nonprofit 501c3 organization. We are governed by an Executive Board of three members, which meets monthly, and an Advisory Board of four members which meets with the Executive Board twice a year.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Knights of Columbus – Faith in Action - Life
The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded in 1882, and named in honor of Christopher Columbus, dedicated principles include Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Though the Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's Fraternal organization the emphasis is on families. Family involvement take shape under four pillars of their Faith in Action programs: Faith, Family, Community, and Life. All works of service and resource distribution fall under one of these pillars. There are 88 councils in Maine.

All councils are involved in the **Life** program, actively promoting the sanctity of life from conception. The Knights work and pray to change hearts and minds regarding abortion by supporting both mother and child before and after birth. Councils provide material, financial resources, labor and other support to pro-life pregnancy centers that help women during pregnancy and after birth of their newborn children.

Councils can "adopt" a pregnancy center and provide material, labor, and spiritual support throughout the year. Through the Aid and Support After Pregnancy Initiative (ASAP) every $500 the local council or assembly donates to a pregnancy resource center or maternity home (up to $2,000), the Supreme Council will donate $100.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to practicing Catholic men who are at least 18 years old. We are always looking to add members.

To learn more about the Life programs or to join the order, contact your local Knights Council or visit **https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html**.

Embrace Grace – Lewiston, ME

Where We Are
We are thrilled to be providing support to young moms right here in Lewiston, Maine! Redemption Hill, pastored by Micah Lang, is hosting Embrace Grace on Wednesday nights! If you would like to get involved or be supported by this group you can reach their leaders at (207) 460-3672 or you can also email them at **embracegracerhc@gmail.com**.

Who We Are
Here at Embrace Grace, our mission is to help inspire and equip the church to love and encourage single and pregnant young women and their families. Through kindness, compassion, and love, lives are saved from abortion every day. We have a rapidly growing global network of nearly 1000 pregnancy support groups. Through our relevant content and relational groups model, we help women realize that they can have their dreams and their baby too. It is our vision and dream to help every woman with an unplanned pregnancy to have a church to go to for spiritual, emotional and physical support.

What We Provide
Our support groups help moms, and their families find a place of hope and belonging. Leaders are empowered to walk alongside these young women with ongoing support and virtual training. For more information please visit our website **www.prolovechurch.com**

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Relief and Hope Services

ADOPTION SUPPORT

Adoption Solutions of Maine – Yarmouth, ME
At adoption solutions of Maine we believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged and every other stage or condition from conception to natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect and value all human life.

The decision to place for adoption is extremely difficult. Our agency focuses on protecting and serving the mother and child by providing education, support, and guidance throughout their journey. The health and safety of our birth mothers and their babies is our first priority.

We build a relationship with potential adoptive families and stand by them throughout the process. We help adoptive and birth families keep in contact post adoption, as we advocate for an open adoption relationships.

Our agency works closely with a respectable adoption lawyer as well as other local pregnancy/parenting resources throughout the State of Maine.

Our caring staff offers excellent support and services stemming from their professional training, education, and personal experiences. Call and schedule an appointment to meet our staff and discover how we can help you.

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POST-ABORTIVE SUPPORT

Project Rachel: ***"It's okay not to feel okay about an abortion. Paths toward hope, mercy, and healing are available."***
If you regret having an abortion or are struggling with abortion's impact on you or in your family, Project Rachel offers help. They know there is much controversy in society abortion. They also know abortion can cause intense emotional and spiritual pain. That is why Project Rachel does not judge or condemn.

Through Project Rachel, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland Maine offers hope, understanding, and healing to women and men whose lives have been affected by abortion. The team hosts Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekends in Maine (usually in the spring), develops tools for parish leaders and compiles other resources to help each person become a source of compassion and healing for those impacted by abortion.

Perhaps you aren't ready for a retreat. That's okay too. Hope, mercy, and healing are a confidential phone call. Email, or online message away; the members of the Project Rachel team are there to help you through your struggle.

Project Rachel Ministry
no judgement only mercy

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Offers hope, understanding, and healing to women and men whose lives have been affected by abortion.

For more information visit:
www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel
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Leave a confidential message to begin sharing your struggle with Project Rachel:

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- Submit an online message **https://www.portlanddiocese.org/form/contact-project-rachel**

While Project Rachel and Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are organized by the Catholic Church, you do not need to be Catholic to participate in any program or receive support along your path toward hope, mercy, and healing post-abortion.

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH OF ELLSWORTH
Uniting Community & Christ

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Matthew 25:40

Bishop Robert P. Deeley, and the faithful of the Diocese

applaud your good works in support of life.

We wish the Maine Right to Life Committee much success.

May all those who sustain this great work know that they are in our prayers,

on this occasion as well as when they then go forward in this mission.

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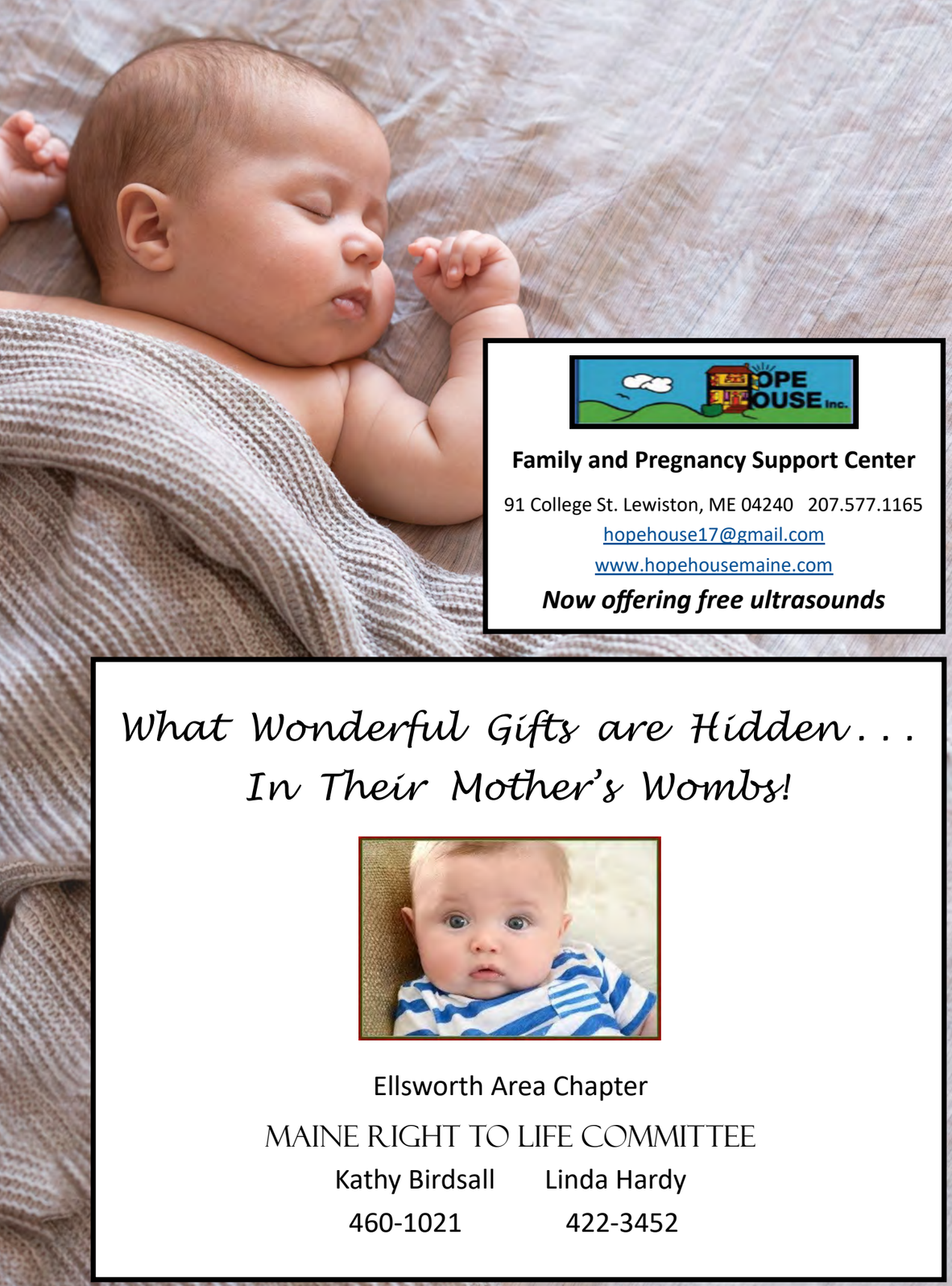

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Karen Vachon, licensed health insurance agent, has served the individual health insurance market since 2009, helping people enroll in Obamacare and Medicare.

It does not stop there. "It's a relationship, not a transaction", says Karen, whose clients have stuck with her for many years. "People's lives change, they get married, divorced, have children, or move; they change jobs, lose employer coverage, retire, they age into Medicare, become disabled, become eligible for Medicaid, move into a nursing home, have accidents, or become ill – every one of these situations, impacts their health insurance. And of course, healthcare policy and government programs change, and that impacts costs too."

Keeping up with all of this – it is no wonder people are perplexed, bewildered, dazed, and confused! "It is my job to help them wade through the confusion, and ultimately land in the right plan that addresses their personal and individual needs."

While a number of these life changing events may entitle you to a Special Enrollment period, allowing you to change your plan during the year, The Annual Enrollment for Medicare opens October 15 – December 7th and the Open Enrollment for Obamacare opens November 1st – January 15th. No matter your health insurance/Medicare question, Karen is here to help. It costs you nothing to have an agent! All consultations are free, no pressure, and no obligation. After many years of working for someone else, Karen opened her own agency in May. The Vachon Agency is conveniently located at the Pond Cove shopping center at the Hub in Cape Elizabeth, (next door to CVS). The comfortable location is steps from the parking lot, offering easy access for all.

People appreciate being able to meet face-to-face, however Karen also offers virtual appointments via phone and screenshare.

Give Karen a call today!
207-544-4119!

ABORTION...

Abortion advocates claim that the abortion issue is not about what is right or wrong, but about "who decides --the woman or the state?"

These people don't seem to realize why the government exists. Since the U.S. government is based on the Constitution, we can assume that the Preamble says some important things about the purpose of government.

One purpose is to "establish justice."

What justice is there in a system that allows innocent people to be harmed at the whim of others? Just because women are bigger and stronger, should they be allowed to kill their own children? Because men wield more financial and political power, should women be abandoned to the despair of abortion?

What justice is there in a system that allows men to combine career and parenthood, yet demands that women choose between prosperity and their children's very lives?

Abortion is the most unjust institution this country has ever established. It pits mothers against their children, women against men, parents against their daughters. It usurps the rights of parents and fathers.

How long are we going to endure the injustice of more than 3,000 innocent people being killed daily? Do we deserve freedom if we abuse it in this way?

These are the questions we need to discuss. Does the government have a right to ban abortion? The better question is, what legitimate government would permit such an atrocity?

PriestsForLife.org

Help Us To Protect The Little Ones.

ABORTION SHOULD BE UNTHINKABLE

Psalm 139:13-14

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- The legislator may ask other legislators in either House/Senate to join as co-sponsors.

BILL DRAFTED

- At the legislator's direction, the bill is prepared in proper technical form.

BILL INTRODUCED

- The legislator gives the bill to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate.
- The bill is numbered, recommended to a committee, printed, and placed on House/Senate calendar.

COMMITTEE ACTION

- Committee schedules and conducts a public hearing where it accepts testimony supporting and opposing the proposed legislation.

GENERAL ORDER

- The bill is reported to the floor of its origin (House/Senate) where it receives it's first reading.
- Any amendments to the bill are adopted at this time.
- The committee reports the bill to the originating body with one of five recommendations: 1.Ought to Pass (as is) 2. Ought to Pass as amended 3. Ought to Pass in New Draft 4. Ought Not to Pass. 5. Refer to Another Committee.

SECOND READING

- The next legislative day the bill is given its second reading and floor amendments may be offered.
- When one chamber has passed the bill to be engrossed, it is sent to the other body for its consideration.
- The House has a consent calendar for unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as as amended bills which takes the place of First and Second readings.

SECOND CHAMBER

- The bill goes through a similar process in the second chanber. If the second chamber amends the bill, it is returned to the first chamber for a vote on the changes.
- It may then be sent to a conference committee to work out a compromise agreeable to both chambers.
- A bill receives final legislative approval when it passes both chambers in identical form.

GOVERNOR

- After final passage (enactment) the bill is sent to the Governor.
- The Governor has ten days in which to sign or veto the bill.
- If the Governor does not sign the bill and the Legislature is still in session, the bill after ten days becomes law as if the Governor signed it.
- If the Legislature has adjourned for the year the bill does not become law. This is called a "pocket veto." If the Legislature comes back into special session, the Governor on the 4th day must deliver a veto message to the chamber of origin or the bill becomes law.

LAW

- A bill becomes law 90 days after the end of the legislative session in which it was passed.
- A bill can become law immediately if the Legislature, by a 2/3 vote of each chamber, declares that an emergency exists. An emergency law takes effect on the date the Governor signs it unless otherwise spec ified in its text.
- If a bill is vetoed, it will become law if the Legislature overrides the veto by a 2/3 vote of those members present and voting of both chambers.

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Acton	22	Bridgton	18	Clinton	3	Eliot	35
Albion	16	Brighton Plantation	5	Connor	1	Ellsworth	7
Alfred	33	Bristol	13	Coplin Plantation	19	Embden	5
Allagash	1	Brooklin	7	Corinna	4	Enfield	8
Alna	13	Brooksville	7	Corinth	4	Etna	3
Alton	8	Brownfield	18	Cornish	22	eustis	19
Amherst	6	Brunswick	23	Cornville	5	Exeter	4
Amity	2	Buckfield	19	Cranberry Isles	7	Fairfield	16
Andover	19	Bucksport	10	Criehaven UT	12	Falmouth	25
Anson	5	Burlington	8	Crystal	2	Farmindale	14
Appleton	12	Buxton	31	Cumberland	25	Farmiongton	5
Argyle Township	8	Byron	19	Cushing	12	Fayette	17
Arundel	32	Cambridge	5	Cyr Plantation	1	Fort Fairfield	1
Ashland	1	Camden	12	Dallas Plantation	19	Fort Kent	1
Athens	5	Canaan	3	Damariscotta	13	Frechville	1
Auburn	20	Canton	19	Dayton	32	Freeport	23
Augusta	15	Cape Elizabeth	29	Dedham	10	Frenchboro	7
Aurora	6	Caratunk	5	Deer Isle	7	Friendship	12
Avon	19	Caribou	1	Denmark	18	Frye Island	26
Baldwin	22	Carmel	10	Dennistown Plantation	5	Fryeburg	18
Bancroft Township	2	Carrabassett Valley	5	Detroit	3	Gardiner	14
Bangor	9	Carroll Plantation	8	Dexter	4	Garfield Plantation	1
Bar Harbor	7	Carthage	19	Dixfield	19	Garland	4
Belgrade	15	Casco	26	Dixmont	3	Gilead	19
Benton	3	Castine	7	Dresden	24	Glenburn	4
Berwick	34	Castle Hill	1	Drew Plantation	2	Glenwood Plantation	2
Bethel	19	Caswell	1	Durham	20	Gorham	30
Biddeford	32	Central Arrostook UT	2	Dyer Brook	2	Gouldsboro	6
Bingham	5	Central Hancock UT	6	Eagle Lake	1	Grand Isle	1
Blaine	2	Central Somerset UT	5	East Central Franklin UT	5	Gray	25
Blue Hill	7	Chapman	1	East Central Penobscot UT	8	Great Pond	6
Boorthbay Harbor	13	Charleston	4	East Hancock UT	6	Greenbush	8
Boothbay	13	Chebeague Island	23	East Millinocket	2	Greene	17
Bradford	4	Chelsea	14	Eastbrook Franklin	6	Greenwood	19
Bradley	10	Chester	2	Easton	2	Hallowell	14
Bremen	13	Chesterville	5	Eddington	10	Hamlin	1
Brewer	10	China	15	Edgecomb	13	Hammond	2
Bridgewater	2	Clifton	10	Edinburg	8	Hampden	10

SENATE DISTRICTS / TOWNS *continued*

Hancock	6
Hanover	19
Harmony	5
Harpswell	23
Harrison	18
Hartford	19
Hartland	5
Haynesville	2
Hebron	18
Hemon	9
Hersey	2
Hibberts Gore	13
Highland Plantation	5
Hiram	22
Hodgdon	2
Holden	10
Hollis	32
Hope	12
Houlton	2
Howland	8
Hudson	4
Industry	5
Island Falls	2
Isle Au Haut	7
Jackman	5
Jay	19
Jefferson	13
Kenduskeag	4
Kennebunk	34
Kennebunkport	34
Kingfield	5
Kingman Township	2
Kittery	35
Lagrange	8
Lakeville	8
Lamoine	7
Lebanon	33
Lee	8
Leeds	17
Levant	4
Lewiston	21

Limerick	22
Limestone	1
Limington	22
Lincoln	8
Lincoln Plantation	19
Linneus	2
Lisbon	17
Litchfield	17
Littleton	2
Livermore	17
Livermore Falls	17
Long Island	25
Long Island	28
Louds Island UT	13
Lovell	19
Lowell	8
Ludlow	2
Lyman	32
Macwahoc Plantation	2
Madawaska	1
Madison	3
Magalloway Plantation	19
Manchester	14
Mapleton	1
Mariaville	6
Mars Mill	2
Marshall Island UT	7
Masardis	1
Matinicus Isle Plantation	12
Mattawamkeag	2
Maxfield	2
Mechanic Falls	18
Medway	2
Mercer	5
Merrill	2
Mexico	19
Milford	8
Millinocket	2
Milton Township	19
Minot	18
Monhegan Plantation	13

Monmouth	14
Monticelo	2
Moose River	5
Moro Plantation	2
Moscow	5
Mount Chase	2
Mount Desert	7
Mount Vernon	15
Muscle Ridge Islands UT	12
Naples	22
Nashville Plantation	1
New Canada	1
New Gloucester	20
New Limerick	2
New Portland	5
New Sharon	5
New Sweden	1
New Vineyard	5
Newburgh	10
Newcastle	13
Newfield	22
Newport	3
Newry	19
Nobleboro	13
Norridgewock	3
North Berwick	34
North Franklin UT	19
North Haven	12
North Oxford UT	19
North Penobscot UT	2
North Yarmouth'	25
Northeast Somerset UT	5
Northwest Aroostook UT	1
Northwest Hancock UT	6
Northwest Somerset UT	5
Norway	18
Oakfield	2
Oakland	16
Ogunquit	35
Old Orchard Beach	31

Old Town	8
Orient	2
Orland	7
Orono	8
Orrington	10
Osborn	6
Otis	10
Otisfield	18
Owls Head	12
Oxford	18
Palmyra	3
Paris	18
Paronsfield	22
Passadumkeag	8
Patten	2
Penobscot	7
Penobscot Indian Island	8
Perham	1
Peru	19
Phillips	19
Piscataquis Countty	4
Pittsfield	3
Pittston	14
Pleasant Ridge Plantation	5
Plymouth	3
Poland	20
Portage Lake	1
Porter	22
Portland	27
Portland	28
Pownal	23
Prentiss Township	8
Presque Isle	2
Randolph	14
Rangeley	19
Rangely Plantation	19
Raymond	26
Readfield	14
Reed Plantation	2
Ripley	5

Rockland	12
Rockport	12
Rome	5
Roxbury	19
Rumford	19
Sabattus	17
Saco	31
Sagadahoc County	24
Saint Agatha	1
Saint Albans	5
Saint Francis	1
Saint George	12
Saint John Plantation	1
Sandy River Plantation	19
Sanford	33
Scarborough	29
Scarborough	30
Sebago	22
Seboeis Plantation	2
Seboomook Lake UT	5
Sedgwick	7
Shapleigh	22
Sherman	2
Sidney	15
Skowhegan	3
Smithfield	5
Smyrna	2
Solon	5
Somerville	13
Sorrento	6
South Aroostook UT	2

South Berwick	35
South Bristol	13
South Franklin UT	19
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Southwest Harbor	7
Springfield	8
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Stonham	19
Stonington	7
Stow	19
Strong	5
Sullivan	6
Sumner	19
Surry	7
Swans Island	7
Sweden	18
Temple	19
The Forks Plantation	5
Thomaston	12
Tremont	7
Trenton	7
Turner	17

Twombley Rodge Township	8
Union	12
Unity Township	3
Upton	19
Van Buren	1
Vassalboro	15
Veazie	8
Verona Island	7
Vienna	5
Vinalhaven	12
Wade	1
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Waldoboro	13
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Wallagrass	1
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Waterford	18
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Wells	34
West Central Franklin UT	19
West Forks Plantation	5
West Gardiner	14

West Paris	19
Westbrook	26
Westbrook	27
Westfield	2
Westmanland	1
Weston	2
Westport Island	13
Whitefield	13
Whitney Township	8
Wilton	5
Windham	26
Windsor	13
Winn	8
Winslow	16
Winter Harbor	6
Winterville Plantation	1
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Wiscasset	13
Woodland	1
Woodstock	19
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The Maine Life Coalition Anticipates Hundreds of Mainers to Come to Augusta to Oppose Extreme Abortion Bills

For the second time this legislative session, hundreds of Mainers will come to the State House for public hearings in Judiciary and Health Coverage Insurance Financial Services on Monday, May 1st.

The most egregious of the bills is LD 1619. Governor Janet Mills used the tragic ordeal of a Maine family to introduce LD 1619, the so-called "An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws" misnamed because its sole design is to promote unlimited abortion.

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"This bill ignores what is in the best interest of the life and health of the mother and her unborn child and only seeks to expand the abortion industry's stake hold in Maine by allowing abortions for any reason up until birth with no punishment for those who harm women and their babies," said Suzanne Lafreniere of the Catholic Diocese of Maine.

The Maine Life Coalition will hold a press conference at 11 AM on Monday, May 1st in the Hall of Flags at the Maine Statehouse. Speakers will include Barbara Ford, Executive Director of the Shepherd Godparent Home; Rep Laurel Libby, Founder of Speak Up For LIFE; Dr. Thom Page, OB-GYN; and Hon. Heather Sirocki, Spokesperson for Maine Right to Life.

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Maine is the oldest state in the country with a median age of 45. Maine is one of only four states that has more death/year than births. Maine aborts 5.2 babies each day. We need policy that supports women, promotes motherhood, and welcomes and promotes family life and family values.

"Abortion on demand throughout pregnancy puts a moral stain on Maine, says Vachon**.. Maine deserves better. Women of Maine deserve better. This is not Maine – the way life should be".**

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Maine Right to Life is the oldest non-profit Pro-Life advocacy organization in Maine.